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OFFICERS.

Moderator.....R. H. Lewis, Kinston, N. C.
Clerk.....J. E. Dednam, LaGrange, N. C.
Treasurer.....G. W. Parker, Goldsboro, N. C.
Historian.....W. C. Newton, Goldsboro, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

C. W. Blanchard, W. H. Burke, W. C. Newton.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

FOR ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR 1899-1900.

HOME MISSIONS:

J. M. Alderman, W. P. Lane,
Thos. I. Sutton.

FOREIGN MISSIONS:

C. W. Blanchard, E. L. Edmundson,
J. B. Carroll.

STATE MISSIONS:

W. C. Newton, B. B. Wooten,
W. I. Herring.

ORPHANAGE:

J. W. Rose, G. W. Parker,
F. O. Cox.

EDUCATION:

E. B. Lewis, H. B. Parker,
O. H. Perry.

PERIODICALS:

W. L. Bilbro, J. E. Debnam,
V. R. Smith.

TEMPERANCE:

M. P. Davis, W. H. Burke,
J. L. Moore.

MINISTER'S RELIEF FUND:

J. B. Jackson, C. D. Ray,
A. G. Cox.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS:

J. E. Peterson, T. O. Kelly,
David Sutton.

MINISTERIAL REGISTER.

Alderman, J. M.	Lima, N. C.
Bilbro, W. L.	Ayden, N. C.
Blanchard, C. W.	Kinston. N. C.
Davis, M. P.	LaGrange, N. C.
Jackson, J. B.	Kinston, N. C.
Newton, W. C.	Goldsboro, N. C.
Rose, J. W.	" "

LIST OF MESSENGERS.

Antioch—W. L. Bilbro, F. O. Cox.

Ayden—C. L. Tyson, J. B. Jackson.

Castoria—L. F. Elliot, Robert Shirley, David Sutton, J. L. Moore, Mrs. M. T. Shirley, Misses Bettie Pittman, Minnie Moore.

Cove—*

Dover—B. B. Wooten.

Emmans—Newman Potts.

Falling Creek—Thos. I. Sutton.

Fort Barnwell—J. H. Fields, M. H. Carr, W. P. Lane.

Goldsboro, First—W. C. Newton, E. L. Edmundson, T. O. Kelly, J. E. Peterson, H. B. Parker, Mrs. A. H. Turner, Mrs. H. L. Grant, Mrs. E. L. Edmundson.

Goldsboro, Second—J. W. Rose.

Kinston—C. W. Blanchard, R. H. Lewis, W. I. Herring, J. B. Jackson, C. D. Ray, Jesse Vause, E. B. Lewis, Mrs. W. P. Sutton, Miss Lena Spain.

LaGrange—M. P. Davis, W. H. Burke, J. E. Jones, George L. Capell, J. E. Debnam, John H. Aldredge, Miss Kate Isler.

Mount Calvary—G. W. Parker.

Mount Nelson—S. S. Strather.

New Hope—I. P. Sutton, W. E. Sutton, Jesse Jackson, Miss Alene E. Taylor.

Pollocksville—*

Piney Grove—D. Coker.

Seven Springs—G. G. Quinn, M. B. Herring, J. D. Creel, Mrs. G. G. Quinn.

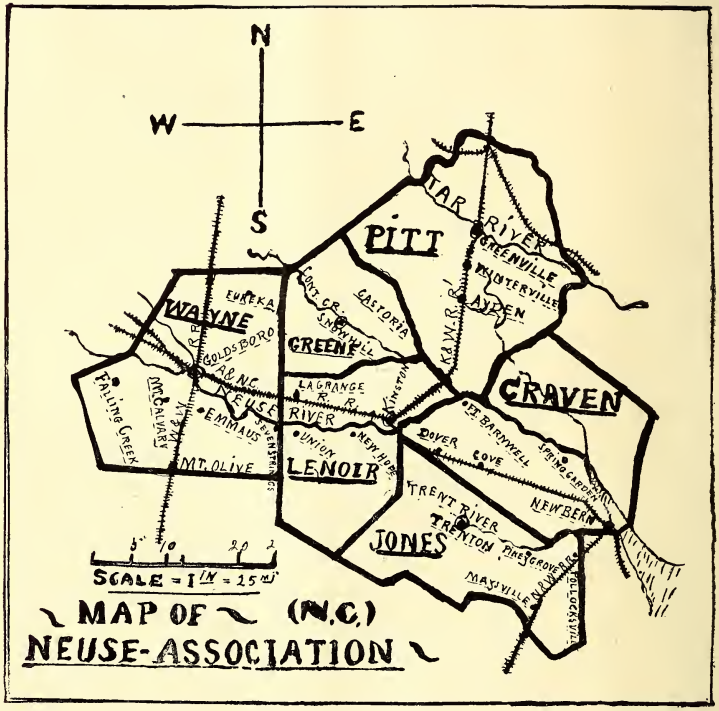
Snow Hill—V. R. Smith, Mrs. Emma Hackney.

Spring Garden—J. M. Alderman, O. H. Perry, W. R. Simmons.

Trenton—*

Union—*

*Not represented.



(Greenville in Pitt, Mt. Olive in Wayne and New Bern in Craven are not in the bounds of the Neuse Association.)

The population of the above counties is 104,473 (census 1890); there are 1,300 Baptists or one of every 80 is a Baptist. There are 26 Baptist churches to 2,760 square miles, or if the Baptist churches were placed equidistant they would be ten miles apart.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—THURSDAY EVENING.

Delegates from the churches named in the letter below, met in LaGrange Baptist Church, October 26, 1899 at 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of forming a new Association. The introductory sermon was preached by W. L. Bilbro. Text, Phil. 1:21.

On motion of J. W. Rosa the Association entered into a temporary organization by electing J. E. Peterson temporary moderator and J. E. Debnam temporary clerk.

The following letter from the Atlantic Association was presented by C. W. Blanchard:

"This is to certify that the following churches were upon their own request granted letters of dismission from the Atlantic Association for the purpose of forming a new Association at LaGrange on the 26th of the present month:

"Antioch, Ayden, Castoria, Cove, Dover, Emmans Falling Creek, Fort Barnwell, Goldsboro, First, Goldsboro, Second, Kinston, LaGrange, Mt. Calvary, Mt. Nelson, New Hope, Pollocksville, Piney Grove, (Jones) Seven Springs, Snow Hill, Spring Garden, Trenton, Union.

"This action was taken by the Association at its sixteenth annual session (held with the Tabernacle Church New Bern, N. C.) on Thursday morning, Oct. 12, 1899."

C. W. BLANCHARD, Moderator.

HIGHT C. MOORE, Clerk.

J. W. Rose and R. H. Lewis were appointed a Committee on Enrollment. They reported thirty-four messengers present.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

Constitution and By-Laws—C. W. Blanchard, J. M. Alderman, J. W. Rose.

To Nominate Executive Committee—C. W. Blanchard, E. L. Edmundson, M. P. Davis.

Finance—E. B. Lewis, G. A. Norwood, S. I. Sutton.

Petitionary Letters—M. P. Davis, W. C. Newton, R. H. Lewis.

Order of Business—M. P. Davis, W. H. Burke, J. H. Aldredge.

Obituaries—R. H. Lewis, C. W. Blanchard, W. C. Newton.

To Nominate Delegates to State and Southern Baptist Convention—R. H. Lewis, M. P. Davis, J. B. Jackson.

Place and Preacher of Next Session—J. W. Rose, W. L. Bilbro, G. W. Parker.

Digest of Church Letters—J. M. Alderman, T. O. Kelly, J. B. Jackson.

Periodicals—J. M. Alderman, T. I. Sutton, E. B. Lewis.

Committee on Constitution and By-Laws reported. Report with amendments was adopted.

Committee on Order of Business made partial report as follows:

Meet at 9:30 a. m.; adjourn at 12 m.; meet again at 2 p. m.; adjourn at will.

9:30 to 10:00 tomorrow devotional exercises by J. N. Toler.

Adjourned. Benediction by J. W. Rose.

SECOND DAY—Friday Morning.

The Association met at 9:30. Devotional exercises conducted by J. N. Toler, who read the 12th chapter of Romans.

Moderator called the Association to order at 10:00. In the absense of the clerk J. M. Alderman was appointed clerk pro tem.

On motion of J. W. Rose the Association went into permanent organization.

R. H. Lewis was elected moderator by ballot.

On motion C. W. Blanchard cast the vote of the Association for J. W. Rose for vice-moderator.

On motion W. C. Newton cast the vote of the Association for J. E. Debnam for clerk.

On motion J. W. Rose cast the vote of the Association for W. C. Newton for historian.

On motion J. B. Jackson cast the vote of the Association for G. W. Parker for treasurer.

Welcome on the part of the Church was then extended by J. E. Debnam. Response for the Association by W. C. Newton.

Welcome on the part of the citizens of LaGrange was extended by W. J. Newbold. Response on the part of the Association by J. B. Jackson.

Minutes of yesterday evening were read and approved.

List of churches and messengers was read and new delegates enrolled.

The Moderator announced the standing committees.

M. P. Davis read the report of the Committee on Nomination of Executive Committee. Report adopted. (See names under head of "Officers.")

J. N. Toler, of Robeson Association, was welcomed by the Moderator in behalf of the Association to a seat in the body.

W. L. Bilbro presented the report of the Committee on Ministerial Relief. Remarks by W. L. Bilbro, W. C. Newton and C. W. Blanchard. Pledges were taken for the Ministerial Relief Fund, amounting to $64.50. Report adopted.

J. M. Alderman read the report of the Committee on Digest of Church Letters. Remarks by J. M. Alderman and W. L. Bilbro. Report adopted.

M. P. Davis made report on order of business, as follows:

Association to reassemble at 2:00 o'clock; from 2:00 to 2:30 Temperance; from 2:30 to adjournment Foreign Missions. Reassemble at 7:00 p. m., 7:00 until adjournment, State Missions.

Association adjourned. Benediction by J. N. Toler.

SECOND DAY—Friday Afternoon.

The Association reassembled at the appointed hour. Devotional exercises were conducted by J. B. Jackson, who read Acts 10.

Report from Committee to Nominate Delegates to the Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Convention was received as follows:

To State Convention, Asheville: W. C. Newton, C. W.

Blanchard, and E. B. Lewis. Alternates: E. L. Edmundson, A. G. Cox and J. M. Alderman.

To Southern Baptist Convention, Hot Springs, Ark: W. C. Newton. Alternate: C. W. Blanchard.

Report adopted.

W. L. Bilbro for Committee on Place and Preacher reported as follows:

We, your committee, recommend Antioch Church, Winterville, Pitt county, as the place; Tuesday after the third Lord's day in October, 1900, the time, and W. C. Newton, of Goldsboro, to preach the introductory sermon.

E. B. Lewis read the report on the Orphanage. Remarks by E. B. Lewis, J. W, Rose, C. W. Blanchard and W. L. Bilbro. Pledges were taken from the churches (see table) amounting to $227.00. Adopted.

W. C Newton presented the report from Committee on Foreign Missions. Remarks by J. N. Toler and W. C. Newton. The pledges of the churches for Foreign Missions was taken (see table) amounting to $166.00.

E. B. Lewis called the attention of the Association to the Finance Committee and its lack of funds. A cash collection was taken amounting to $3.38.

The Association adjourned. Benediction by J. M. Alderman.

SECOND DAY—Friday Evening.

The Association reconvened at 7:00 p. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by J. B. Carroll.

C. J. F. Anderson from West Chowan Association was recognized.

C. W. Blanchard read the report on State Missions. Remarks by C. W. Blanchard and the Missionaries from the fields.

Pitt County—W. L. Bilbro reporting three Baptist churches for a 40,000 population.

Greene and Portions of Lenoir, Wayne and Wilson Counties—M. P. Davis, reporting two Baptist churches for a population of 12,000 in Greene county, pointing out two other places ripe for Baptists in Greene and one in Lenoir.

Wayne County—J. W. Rose, reporting the work doing well in Wayne and naming nine points that need Baptist preaching.

Jones and Craven Countifs—J. M. Alderman, reporting one Baptist preacher, four Baptist churches and 137 members, in Jones county, naming two other points ripe for the Baptist cause.

Portions of Lenoir and Craven Counties—J. B. Jackson, reporting much encouragement in his field.

Pledges for State Missions were taken from the churches (see table) amounting to $440.75. Report adopted.

M. P. Davis reported the Order of Business for Saturday morning as follows:

9:30 to 10:30, devotional exercises and temperance; 10:30 to 11:15, periodicals; 11:15 to 12:00, Home Missions; 2:00 p. m., education. Sunday—9:30 to 11:00, Sunday Schools.

Association adjourned. Benediction by C. J. F. Anderson.

THIRD DAY—Saturday Morning.

Association reassembled at 9:30. Devotional exercises conducted by Moderator reading the 1st. Psalm.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

T. I. Sutton read the report of Committee on Temperance. Timely remarks were made by T. I. Sutton, J. W. Rose, M. P. Davis, G. W. Parker, E. L. Edmundson, J. M. Alderman, Jesse Vause and Moderator.

Report adopted.

J. M. Alderman presented the report of Committee on Periodicals. Remarks by J. M. Alderman, J. W. Rose, H. B. Parker, C. W. Blanchard, C. J. F. Anderson and Moderator.

Report adopted.

Report of Committee on Home Missions read; to be discussed the first hour in the afternoon.

Association adjourned. Benediction by J. W. Rose.

THIRD DAY—Saturday Afternoon.

Associotion reassembled at 2:00 o'clock. Report on Home Missions was discussed by M. P. Davis, E. B. Lewis, C. W. Blanchard and T. O. Kelley. Pledges for Home Missions from the churches were taken (see table) amounting to $112.00.

Report adopted.

On motion the Clerk was instructed to supervise the printing and distribution of the Minutes and retain the usual fee of $10 for his services.

J. B. Jackson presented the report on Education. Remarks by J. B. Jackson and C. W. Blanchard. Pledges for Ministerial Education were taken amounting to $84.50.

Report adopted.

Rev. T. H. Sutton of the M. E. Church South was welcomed by the Moderator.

E. B. Lewis presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the brethren, sisters and citizens generally of LaGrange for their most abundant and hearty hospitality.

E. B. Lewis presented the report of the Finance Committee.

Report adopted.

H. B. Parker, Jr., read the report of the Committee on Sunday schools; to be discussed Sunday morning. Report adopted. After which all joined in singing "God be With You 'Till we Meet Again."

The Association then adjourned to meet with Antioch Church at Winterville, Pitt county, Tuesday after the third Lord's day in October, 1900. Benediction by T. H. Sutton.

R. H. Lewis, Moderator.

J. E. Debnam, Clerk.

[A large congregation assembled on Sunday and heard the discussion on Sunday Schools and the annual Missionary Sermon.]

WOMAN'S MEETING.

The Woman's Missionary meeting of the Neuse Association was held at LaGrange, N. C., Saturday morning, October 28, 1899, with Mrs. H. L. Grant, of Goldsboro, President, and Mrs. C. D. Ray, of Kinston, Secretary. After singing, meeting was opened with Bible reading and prayer by the President.

Reports from Goldsboro, Kinston, New Hope and LaGrange were presented.

A letter from Miss Heck, of Raleigh, was read by Miss Lula Whitfield. Interesting letters were read by Mrs. E. L. Edmundson, Mrs. W. P. Sutton and Miss Lena Spain from lady missionaries.

Names of those interested in the organization of Woman's Missionary Societies were called for. Mrs. M. T. Shirley, of Castoria gave hers.

After singing hymn "Savior More Than Life to Me," resolutions were passed, thanking the pastor and members of the M. P. Church for the use of their building, and the people of LaGrange for their kind hospitality.

All united in singing "God be With You 'Till we Meet Again," and this closed the first Woman's Missionary Meeting of the Neuse Association.

MRS. H. L. GRANT, President.

MRS. C. D. RAY, Secretary.

REPORTS.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Our State Missionaries have preached the gospel in 1,700 destitute points in North Carolina. Over 500 Baptist churches have been constituted under the work of men supported by the State Board of Missions, and more than 30,000 believers have been baptized into the fellowship of our churches by them. Since the beginning of organized work by a Board of Missions, under the appointment of the State Convention sixty years ago, great progress has been marked in our denominational growth. Then, there were about 15,000 Baptists in the State all told, now 325,000 members; then, we had 250 churches, now, 2,800; then, 100 preachers, now 1,700; then, 25 Sunday schools, now, over 2,000. Today, one in in every 5 ½ of the State's entire population are communicants of Baptist churches.

But we must not congratulate ourselves that the work is done. Perhaps our greatest battles are yet to be fought. There are yet a million of unconverted people in North Carolina, 75,000 have gathered into our towns and cities as factory laborers. Their future religious ideas will be determined by those who provide them with the gospel. It is reasonable to see from our rank in the State that a larger burden of this work will fall upon us as a matter of debt.

Besides the destitution especially open in the Piedmont section among the factory population, we have large areas of uncultivated mission territory in our own section of the State. Enough surely in the bounds of the Neuse Association to employ one-fifth of the laborers of the entire field. It will take seven Missionaries to cover the field mapped out in our own borders another year. No less than $1,400 will be asked of the State Board to supply these men with a bare living. We have no right to expect this help unless we show our own willingness to sacrifice for it. We have a reasonable assurance that the Board of Missions will give us this amount if we would put $1,000 of it in its treasury. From our 1,300 members this ought to be expected, and we therefore, recommend that our churches endeavor to raise during this year an everage of one dollar per member for this work and put in into the hands of the Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention. We believe this can be done by the enlightenment of the people upon the field's needs, and the encouragement of a systematic effort to raise it.

C. W. Blanchard,
E. L. Edmundson,
J. M. Alderman,

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

At the last meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention it was resolved in a mass meeting to increase the Foreign Mission force twenty-five per cent. In accordance with the determination ten new missionaries were appointed recently. Two of these are from North Corolina, and since our State has received more than its proportionate representation, it is confidently expected that there will be a corresponding increase in enthusiasm. We recommend a twenty-five per cent increase in the pledges of the churches of this Association.

W. C. NEWTON,
J. B. CARROLL,
G. W. PARKER.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Committee on Orphanage begs leave to submit the following report:

In all ages the test of civilization of a State has been the degree of care bestowed upon the defenseless and the afflicted within its borders, and in this age we apply it as a test of true religion based upon the admonition of the Lord Jesus Christ in his summing up of true religion.

In our denomination it is no longer necessary to urge the care of its orphans upon the churches, but we should keep it prominently before them lest in their zeal for other objects its claims should be obscured.

Its maintenance is a cardinal principle of our denomination, and its hold upon our people cannot now be shaken, but its needs are greater now than ever before and the call of the management for greater facilities should be warmly responded to. The Sunday Schools do much for the Orphanage, but the churches might easily double their pledges for this object with but little effort and with no decrease of contributions to other objects.

The Orphanage is ably managed by the present Superintendent, and its corps of teachers and matrons are consecrated Christian workers, doing more work for less money than any other body of workers in the State.

The Committee do earnestly recommend that each church in this new Association do double its pledge of last year for this object.

Respectfully submitted,
Committee.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

We have connected with our Baptist State Convention a Ministerial Relief Board, which is located at Durham, N. C. The object of this Board is to aid Baptist ministers, who, from age or dis

ease, are now unable to preach. They have been faithful, consecrated, and self-sacrificing servants of the Lord, and have helped to blaze the way for the great work Baptists are doing in North Carolina today. To neglect these old, and infirm ministers of the cross, or allow them to suffer for the comforts of life in their last days, is unchristian and shameful.

We are glad to be able to report encouraging progress in this particular branch of our work, and feel sure that as our people become better acquainted with the work of the Board and its needs, they will cheerfully contribute to its support.

We recommend that this Association, in the very beginning of its existence, endeavor to secure large pledges from the churches for this cause, for it is a cause that ought to appeal to the heart and sympathy of every true Baptist.

Respectfully submitted,
Committee.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Temperance is a moderate use of all things needful, and a total abstanance from all things harmful.

We are taught in the scriptures that we should be temperate in all things. We are told that no drunkard can ever enter the Kingdom of Heaven and we are also taught that strong drink "biteth like a serpent and stingeth as an adder."

Feeling as we do that the advocation of the temperance cause is indispensible, not only in the bounds of the Neuse Association, but in the State and nation as well. Therefore your committee is glad to announce that the final victory is coming.

Maine, Georgia, Mississippi and Canada have taken a stand for prohibition. We are rejoiced to know that our State is feeling the effect of this grand temperance movement. They are giving up the saloon, town by town, and county by county. Fight on, God is for us. By and by we will rear our banner upon the ruins of the liquor traffic. Yes, give to the world cold water, pure crystal, limpid and bright, which should be the universal beverage of the world.

T. I. Sutton,
W. L. Bilbro,
J. M. Alderman.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

In no age of the world perhaps, has the printing press wielded such mighty influence as it is doing today. The wrong literature has a tendency to poison the mind, degrade the youth and ruin the life. Hence we cannot be too careful as to the kind of literature that finds its way into our homes.

We can most heartily recommend the following:

The *Biblical Recorder*, whose bugle call to duty has been

heard for more than 65 years, as it has led the Baptist hosts of North Carolina—should find its way into every Baptist home in the State. "It is the medium through which the churches, homes and individuals are reached with the clarion call for united effort in the Lord's work."

The North Carolina Baptist is in the field, aiding in the work of building up our Baptist Zion.

In *Charity and Children* we have the official organ of our Orphanage. Its holy mission and its clean, elevating and stimulating matter commend it to every lover of his race.

We would also recommend *The Foreign Mission Journal*, *Our Home Field* and the literature of *The Baptist Book Store*, Raleigh, N. C.

The Exponeut, ably and fearlessly edited, deserves a more loyal support and greater sympathy in its efforts to promote the development of our people and defend the principles and interest of the denomination. It came to us unasked, bnt it cannot remain unurged.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. Alderman,
T. I. Sutton,
E. B. Lewis.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Home Missions means the efforts to spread the gospel within the borders of our Southland, and all of Cuba except two Provincces.

Six hundred and fifty-three Missionaries were employed during last Convention year. Six thousand five hundred and fifty-two were baptized by our Missionaries.

The very genesis of the gospel is the principle that moves the missionary activity, the essential element of missions is the essential element of the gospel. What is missions? It is reaching down to save the lost. This is what the gospel is: Denying ourselves that others may be blessed; becoming poor that others may be made rich; this is the gospel and this is missions. It was in this way that Christianity came into the world. Our Lord became poor that we through his poverty might become rich. In this way only has the gospel propagated itself. It lives by dying; it increases as it were, by decreasing, Christianity is a commodity of which the more we export the more we import. These things being true, ought we not enlarge our work, rapidly and much?

May we remember our love for liberty, and give to the people of our Southland and Cuba that which will give liberty in deed and in truth.

M. P. Davis,
J. W. Rose,
J. H. Aldredge.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education beg leave to call attention to five points:

1. Primary Education.

One of the greatest needs of our denomination today is more and better Primary Schools.

We most heartily endorse the efforts of those who would have the money, which is now unjustly and unwisely appropriated to Higher Education by the State, used for the education of the masses.

2. Academic.

Whenever there are high schools and academies conducted by Baptist teachers, convenient, we recommend that these schools be patronized in preference to others.

We should keep our eyes open and whenever an opportunity presents itself, establish academies with Baptist teachers.

3. Collegiate.

Wake Forest College enrolled more students last year than in any previous year in its history. There never was so many students present, this early in the session, as are there now.

The moral and religious spirit of the student body, last year, was excellent. The Christian students do much work among the unsaved during the year, which work meets the hearty approval and co-operation of the faculty.

4. Female.

The Baptist Female University, at Raleigh, has opened at last with bright prospects. Our people should patronize this institution, and strive to make it the sister of Wake Forest College in every sense of the word.

5. Ministerial Education.

Ministerial Education is no longer an experiment, and we believe that no branch of our work should be more heartily endorsed by our denomination.

J. B. Jackson,
R. H. Lewis,
W. C. Newton,
Committee.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Since the statistical report of the United States show that 87 per cent of all additions to the churches come from the ranks of the Sunday schools. And that the churches with Sunday Schools, with few exceptions, are the only ones which are increasing in membership, therefore, we recommend that every church in our Association make a special effort to organize and maintain a Sun-

day School in every church and community, and see that every person, old and young, are members thereof. And that expense should not be counted in making the schools so efficient and interesting that all will be glad to attend its sessions.

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. PARKER, JR.
G. W. PARKER,
S. S. STRAUGHER.

CONSTITUTION OF THE NEUSE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association shall be known as the Neuse Baptist Association.

2. Its object shall be to extend the privileges of the gospel and liberal culture to all the people within its bounds, and by hearty co-operation with the Baptist State Convention, to help offer these privileges to all mankind in and out of our bounds, by the cordial co-operation of all the churches constituting this body.

3. It shall be composed of the pastors in active service in the Association and such delegates as shall be annually elected by the churches connected with it; each church being entitled to three delegates unless the membership shall exceed fifty, and then an additional delegate for every twenty-five members, provided, no church shall have more than eight delegates; female representatives exercising the privileges that would be granted them at the business meetings of their churches.

4. The "New Hampshire Declaration of Faith" shall be the summary of Divine Truth for determining questions of faith and order in this body; and churches desiring membership in it must commit themselves to the substance of it, together with the Covenant therewith submitted, and this Constitution.

5. This Association shall not have power to annul the discipline, or exercise authority over any church connected with it, but it may advise with, and sever its connection with any church that neglects to preserve gospel order, or that treats with contempt the objects or advice of the Association.

6. Each church shall send to the annual meetings of the Association a letter (the blanks to be furnished by the Clerk of the Association) carefully filled as per blank suggestions, stating the full work of the church for the year ending with the close of the month previous to the one in which the Association is held.

7. The Association shall foster State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, the Aged Ministers Relief Board, the Thomasville Orphanage, and the Sunday School Board, and each church shall be requested to contribute to the support of these objects annually.

8. Missions and Education shall have precedence in their claims upon the consideration of this body in its regular sessions.

9. Whenever a church shall fail to be represented by delegates or letter at the annual sessions of the Association, or shall fail to contribute to the objects fostered by the Association, inquiry shall be made for the cause; efforts shall be made to induce such a church to do its duty, and the effort shall be continued till the church is recovered or dropped from the roll.

10. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Historian, and a Treasurer, elected annually by ballot, from among its members, to serve until their successors shall have been elected, and to perform the duties usual to such officers, namely; the Moderator in presiding, or Vice-Moderator in his absence, over the meetings, the Clerk in recording and preserving minutes and other papers belonging to the body, the Treasurer in receiving and disbursing funds belonging to or entrusted to the body according to its will, the Historian in keeping a continuous record of the work and progress of the entire Association and making an annual report of same to each of its sessions.

11. The Association shall appoint annually an Executive Committee of three (3) from its members, who shall be entrusted with the prosecution of missions in the Association, and any other work for the interest of the Master's Kingdom which may be referred to them. This Committee shall, as far as possible, co-operate with the State Mission Board in supplying the destitution in our territory, and between the meetings of the Association take such action as may seem to them advisable for the advancement of its interests. The Committee shall present to the Association at its annual meeting a report of all its proceedings, with the names of the Missionaries supported on the field, time of service, and detail of their work, together with such recommendations as in the judgment of the Committee the Association should follow in planning its subsequent work.

12. The annual sessions of the Association shall begin on Tuesday after the third Lord's day in October at such place as may be chosen, and an introductory sermon shall be delivered on the first day of the session. Representatives from a majority of the churches constituting the Association shall be a quorum.

13. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

14. Provisions shall be made at each annual Association for a session of the Woman's Central Committee and all other necessary encouragement offered for the enlargement of the organized work of the Woman's Missionary Societies in the local churches. The proceedings of the Woman's Central Committee shall be recorded as a part of the minutes of the Association.

BY-LAWS.

1. The daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Delegates shall be recognized by letters from their churches, designating them as such.

3. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or the delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand.

4. The report of the Executive Board and the Missionary work of the Association, shall take precedence of all other business during the morning session of the second day of the annual session.

5. The Clerk shall record and read the proceedings when called for, superintend the publication and distribution of the Minutes, preserve a file of them, and have it present at each annual session, and deliver to his successor all papers belonging to the body.

6. Members desiring to speak, shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "brother," in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe the courtesy that becomes Christians

7. Members shall not absent themselves from the session without permission.

8. The roll of members shall be called at least once, and absentees marked.

9. Corresponding messengers and visiting brethren shall be invited to seats, with privilege of speaking but not of voting.

10. A copy of the Minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board; the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention; the American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut street, Philadelphia; the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the Thomasville Orphanage.

11. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by "Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

PLEDGES--1900.

	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Orphanage.	Education.	Ministerial Relief.
Antioch	5.00	3.00	50.00	15.00	10.00	5.00
Ayden	4.00	1.00	15.00	5.00	3.00	2.50
Castoria	5.00	2.50	10.00	5.00	2.50	4.00
Cove						
Dover	1.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	1.00
Emmaus	1.00	1.00	2.50	1.00		
Falling Creek	5.00	2.00	15.00	5.00	2.50	2.00
Fort Barnwell	4.00	2.00	7.50	5.00	1.00	2.00
Goldsboro, First	32.00	25.00	100.00	60.00	25.00	12.00
Goldsboro, Second	2.50	2.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	
Kinston	50.00	50.00	125.00	75.00	15.00	10.00
LaGrange	7.50	6.00	15.00	20.00	2.50	5.00
Mount Calvary	3.00	2.00	7.50	2.00	1.00	1.00
Mount Nelson	1.25	1.50	5.00	2.00	1.00	1.00
New Hope	3.00	3.00	18.00	5.00	2.00	2.00
Pollocksville	18.25	5.00	18.75	5.00	5.00	2.00
Piney Grove	5.00	1.00	12.50	4.00	5.00	1.00
Seven Springs	2.50	1.00	6.00	3.00	1.00	1.00
Snow Hill	2.00	1.00	5.00	3.00	1.00	2.00
Spring Garden	2.00	1.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Trenton	2.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Union	2.50	2.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	3.00
Totals	166.00	112.00	440.75	227.00	84.50	66.50

REPORT ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

Your Committee on Digest of Church Letters begs leave to report that

Churches.	During the past year the below named churches pledged and contributed the following amounts for the different objects of the N. C. Baptist State Convention.					Net gain or loss in members during the past year.	
	Pledged. For 1900.	Pledged. For 1899.	Contributed.	Below Pledge.	Above Pledge.	Loss.	Gain.
Antioch	88.00	73.00	72.54	.66		9	
Ayden	30.50	27.00	27.00	Even	Even		7
Castoria	29.00	13.00	16.72		3.72		25
Cove*		9.00		9.00		Even	Even
Dover	9.00	14.00	3.80	10.20			2
Emmaus	5.50	4.50	4.87		.37		4
Falling Creek	31.50	27.50	29.70		2.20		7
Fort Barnwell	21.50	18.50	19.50		1.00		6
Goldsboro, First	254.00	210.00	468.38		258.38	16	
Goldsboro, Second	16.50	16.00	25.18		9.18		6
Kinston	325.00	315.00	520.75		205.75		19
LaGrange	51.00	17.00	73.64		56.64		1
Mount Calvary	16.50	11.00	15.00		4.00		3
Mount Nelson	11.75	2.00	11.05		9.05		2
New Hope	33.00	25.00	25.00	Even	Even		6
Pollocksville	54.00	35.00	73.53		38.53	11	
Piney Grove	28.50	23.25	12.00	11.25		5	
Seven Springs	14.50	10.00	14.25		4.25		12
Snow Hill	14.00	9.00	12.07		3.07	Even	Even
Spring Garden	19.00	12.00	16.05		4.05	1	
Trenton	11.00	8.00	8.90		.90		1
Union	15.00	12.00	11.50	.50			1
Total	1,096.75	891.75	1,461.43	31.51	601.19	42	102

From the above we see that two churches pledged the same they contributed, and five churches fell below their pledges to the amount of $31.51; fifteen churches excelled their pledges by $601.19, making a total increase for the twenty-two churches over their pledges of $569.68.

We also see that two churches neither gained nor lost in membership during the past year; and that five churches met a total loss of 42; and that fifteen met a total gain of 102, making a total increase for the twenty-two churches (in membership) of 60 during the past year.

The total membership of the twenty-two churches comprising the Neuse Association at the time of its organization is 1,332.

Respectfully submitted,

J M ALDERMAN,
J B JACKSON,
T O KELLEY,

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	PASTOR'S SALARY.	CLERKS, NAMES AND ADDRESSES.	SABBATH OF PREACHING.	PRESENT MEMBERSHIP.	MINUTE FUND.
Antioch	W L Bilbro	150.00	J D Cox, Winterville	Fourth	74	1.00
Ayden	W L Bilbro	50.00	C L Tyson, Ayden	Second	28	.50
Castoria	M P Davis	75.00	W E Powell, Castoria	Third	39	1.00
Cove*						
Dover	J B Jackson		H L Wooten, Dover	Second	14	
Emmaus	J W Rose	25.00	J C Edwards, Dudley	First	26	.25
Falling Creek	J W Rose	100.00	T I Sutton, Granthams	Fourth	80	1.00
Fort Barnwell	J M Alderman	75.00	J W Lane, Fort Barnwell	Third	41	1.00
Goldsboro, First	W C Newton	900.00	J M Hollowell, Goldsboro	Every	318	3.35
Goldsboro, Second	J W Rose	100.00	W A Denmark, Goldsboro	Third	74	
Kinston	C W Blanchard	1000.00	Rich H Lewis, Kinston	Every	209	2.50
LaGrange	M P Davis	125.00	W H Burke, LaGrange	Fourth	65	2.00
Mt. Calvary	J W Rose	30.00	R A Parker, Goldsboro	First	18	.60
Mt. Nelson	M P Davis	25.00	Mrs A E Strother, Eureka	First	16	
New Hope	C W Blanchard	60.00	W E Sutton, Kinston	Third	55	1.00
Pollocksville	J M Alderman	100.00	T A Bell, Pollocksville	First & Sec.	48	1.00
Piney Grove	J M Alderman	42.00	H R Parker, Oliver's	Second	62	.50
Seven Springs	J W Rose	40.00	A G Daly, Seven Springs	Second	40	.55
Snow Hill	M P Davis	30.00	J B Williams, Snow Hill	Second	24	.40
Spring Garden	J M Alderman	50.00	Mrs W W Carmon, Lima	Fourth	12	.80
Trenton	J M Alderman	18.80	C C Perry, Trenton	First	21	.50
Union	J W Rose	50.00	W W Rouse, Strabane	Second	43	.50
				Cash collections		5.91
				Total		24.36

*Not represented.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Superintendents, Names and Adddresses.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Copies Charity and Children Taken.	School Expenses.
Antioch	A G Cox, Winterville	8	98		
Ayden	W J Jackson, Ayden	8	100	10	17.50
Castoria	Fred L Carr, Castoria	6	25		
Cove*					
Dover					
Emmaus	J C Edwards, Dudley	8	60		3.25
Falling Creek	J B Grantham, Granthams	6	7		6.00
Fort Barnwell	M H Carr, Fort Barnwell	4			4.00
Goldsboro, First	H B Parker, Goldsboro	19	250		79.97
Goldsboro, Second	J J Robinson, Goldsboro	10	87		27.05
Kinston	C E Lincoln, Kinston	11	119	75	88.00
LaGrange	J E Jones, LaGrange	7	38	25	21.00
Mount Calvary	R A Parker, Goldsboro	4	25		6.00
Mount Nelson	S S Strother, Eureka	4	40		3.00
New Hope	Jasper Dail, Kinston	7	75		7.00
Pollocksville					
Piney Grove	A D Kellum, Oliver's	5	25		
Seven Springs	G G Quinn, Seven Springs	3	25		3.00
Snow Hill					
Spring Garden	H W Dixon, Lima	4	24		6.00
Trenton	C C Perry, Trenton	3	15		2.00
Union	T E Elmore, Strabane	10	44		10.00

*Not represented.

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Next session to be held with Kinston Church, Kinston, Lenoir county, N. C., Rev. M. P. Davis to preach the introductory sermon. Session to begin on Tuesday after the third Lord's day in October, 1901. . . . . .

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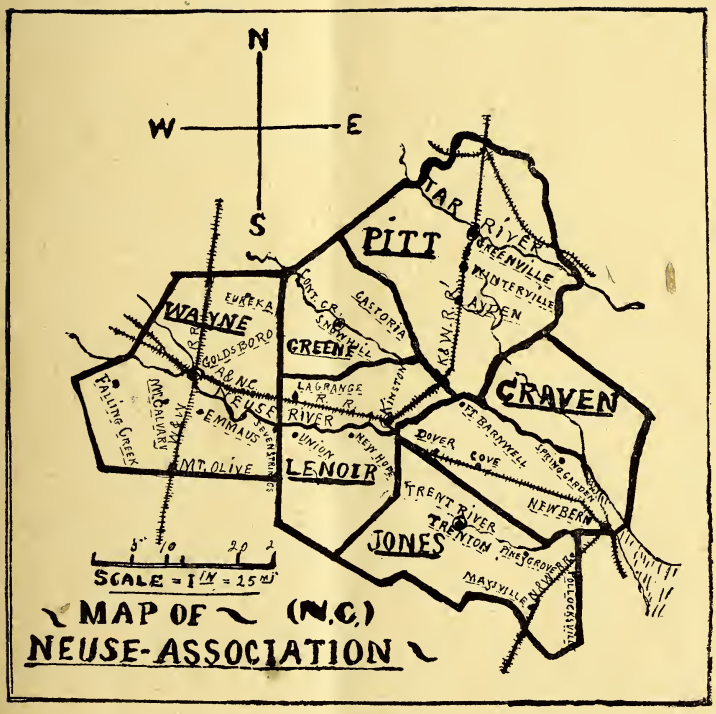
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MAP OF (N.C.)
NEUSE-ASSOCIATION

Officers:

MODERATOR,.....C. W. Blanchard, Kinston, N. C.
VICE-MODERATOR,.....J. D. Cox, Winterville, N. C.
CLERK,.....J. E. Debnam, LaGrange, N. C.
TREASURER,.....A. G. Cox, Winterville, N. C.
HISTORIAN,.....W. C. Newton, Goldsboro, N. C.

Executive Committee:

C. W. Blanchard. W. C. Newton. A. G. Cox.

Standing Committees

For Associational Year 1900-1901.

Home Missions—W. C. Newton, F. O. Cox, J. R. Moore.

Foreign Missions—G. E. Lineberry, W. H. Burke, Paul McDaniel.

State Missions—J. M. Alderman, G. E. Jackson, M. E. Britt.

Orphanage—M. P. Davis, J. A. Pridgen, W. J. Jackson.

Education—J. D. Cox, W. C. Jackson, G. A. Grantham.

Periodicals—J. A. McDaniel, W. J. Wyatt, W. R. Parker.

Temperance—W. L. Bilbro, S. S. Strother, M. E. Eubanks.

Aged Ministers' Relief—J. F. McDuffie, W. J. Munford, W. B. Wingate.

Sunday-Schools—C. F. Hopper, J. B. Carroll, T. D. Hackney.

Ministerial Register:

J. M. Alderman	Pollocksville, N. C.
W. L. Bilbro	Ayden, N. C.
C. W. Blanchard	Kinston, N. C.
M. P. Davis	Snow Hill, N. C.
J. B. Jackson	Kinston, N. C.
C. F. Hopper	Dover, N. C.
J. F. McDuffie	Rock Springs, N. C.
W. C. Newton	Goldsboro, N. C.
J. W. Rose	" N. C.

List of Messengers:

Antioch—J. D. Cox, G. E. Jackson, W. J. Jackson, W. B. Wingate, A. G. Cox, W. J. Wyatt.

Ayden—J. B. Carroll, W. J. Munford, W. L. Bilbro, Sam Munford, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jackson, Miss Edith Broadway.

Castoria—J. R. Moore, Miss Minnie Moore.

Cove—*

Dover—*

Emmaus—*

Falling Creek—C. A. Grantham.

Fort Barnwell—Duffy Lane.

Goldsboro, First—W. C. Newton.

" Second—*

La Grange—J. F. McDuffie, W. H. Burke, M. P. Davis, J. E. Debnam.

Kinston—C. W. Blanchard, J. A. McDaniel, J. B. Jackson, J. A. Pridgen, Jesse Vause, Mesdames. W. P. Sutton and J. F. Parrott, Misses Vallie Blanchard and Lena Spain.

Mount Calvary—*

Mount Nelson—S. S. Strother, M. E. Britt.

New Hope—J. J. Croom, J. W. Croom, Luke Jackson.

Pollocksville—*

Piney Grove—Paul McDaniel, W. R. Parker, M. E. Eubanks, Miss Eula McDaniel.

Seven Springs—M. D. Herring.

Snow Hill—T. D. Hackney.

Spring Garden—J. M. Alderman, O. H. Perry.

Trenton—Miss Dora Taylor.

Union—*

* Not represented.

Proceedings.

FIRST DAY—Tuesday Morning.

The second annual session of Neuse Association convened with Antioch church at Winterville, 11 o'clock, Tuesday morning, Oct. 23, 1900.

The intoductory sermon was preached by W. C. Newton from the story of Pentacost, Acts 2nd chapter.

In the absence of the moderator the clerk called the Association to order and C. W. Blanchard was elected temporary moderator.

W. J. Wyatt and J. D. Cox were appointed a committee on enrollment. They reported twenty-six delegates present.

On motion J. B. Carroll cast the vote of the Association for C. W. Blanchard for moderator.

On motion J. B. Carroll cast the vote of the Association for J. D. Cox for Vice-Moderator.

On motion W. L. Bilbro cast the vote of the Association for J. E. Debnam for clerk.

On motion M. P. Davis cast the vote of the Association for W. C. Newton for historian.

On motion W. C. Newton cast the vote of the Association for A. G. Cox for treasurer.

The following committees were announced:

Order of Business—W. C. Newton, J. A. McDaniel and T. D. Hackney.

To Nominate Delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions:—F. O. Cox, C. A. Grantham and Paul McDaniel.

Obituaries—W. L. Bilbro, W. C. Newton and J. B. Carroll.

Place and Preacher of Next Association—J. A. McDaniel, W. B. Wingate and J. M. Alderman.

Digest of Church Letters—J. B. Jackson, J. R. Moore and O. H. Perry.

On Petitionary Letters—J. M. Alderman, J. F. McDuffie and F. O. Cox.

Finance—W. J. Wyatt, S. S. Strother and W. J. Munford.

To Nominate Executive Committee—A. G. Cox, M. P. Davis and M. E. Britt.

B. W. Spilman, representing the State Board of Missions and Sunday-schools; J. H. Rich, the North Carolina Baptist; O. L. Stringfield, the Baptist Female University and R. D. Carroll from the Atlantic Association, were welcomed to a seat in the Association and invited to participate in its proceedings.

The committee on order of business reported as follows: The Association to reassemble at 2:30 o'clock, P. M., hear and discuss the reports on Periodicals and Temperance and adjourn at will. The Association to meet again at 7 o'clock P. M., hear and discuss the reports on Sunday-schools and Education and adjourn at will. Association adjourned.

Benediction by B. W. Spilman.

FIRST DAY—Tuesday Afternoon.

The Association reconvened at 2.30 o'clock, P. M. Prayer by J. M. Alderman. The report on Periodicals was read by W. L. Bilbre. Remarks were made by O. L. Stringfield, J. H. Rich, W. C. Newton and C. W. Blanchard. Report adopted.

Report On Temperance was read by M. P. Davis. Remarks by M. P. Davis, J. F. McDuffie, W. L. Bilbro and J. M. Alderman. Report adopted.

An address of welcome on the part of Antioch church and the citizens of Winterville and adjoining community was delivered by W. L. Bilbro; response by J. M. Alderman. Association adjourned. Benediction by C. F. Hopper.

FIRST DAY.—TUESDAY EVENING.

The Association reassembled at 7 o'clock, P. M. Prayer by J. F. McDuffie. The report on Sunday-Schools was read by B. W. Spilman; addresses by B. W. Spilman, J. M. Alderman and J. H. Rich. Report adopted.

Report on Education was read by O. L. Stringfield. Address by O. L. Stringfield. Cash and pledges amounting to $53.00, were given Bro. Stringfield for the Baptist Female University. Pledges, amounting to $72.00, were given by the churches for Ministerial education.

J. B. Newton from the West Chowan Association was welcomed to a seat in the Association.

The committee on order of business reported, that, according to the By-Laws of the Association, the report of the Executive Committee has precedence at Wednesday morning's session.

Association adjourned. Benediction by R. D. Carrell.

SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The Association met at 9.30 o'clock, A. M. Devotional exercises were conducted by J. B. Newton, who read Acts 1, 1–15. Prayer by M. P. Davis.

The minutes of Tuesday were read and approved. The following resolutions were offered and unanimously adopted: "Resolved, That this association urges that each of the churches composing it take at least one collection during the year for the Sunday-School work under the Board of Missions."

Report of the Executive committee was read. Reports from the missionaries on the fields were made as follows: Jones county by J. M. Alderman, Craven county by C. F. Hopper, Pitt county by W. L. Bilbro, Green county by M. P. Davis. In the absence of the missionary on the Wayne county field, W. C. Newton reported. Remarks were made by C. W. Blanchard, R. D. Carroll and J. M. Alderman in regard to Maysville church. A motion was

made that this matter be referred to the Executive Committee and that they ascertain the facts and act accordingly.

Report of committee to nominate Executive Committee was received as follows: chairman C. W. Blanchard, W. C. Newton, A. G. Cox.

Report of committee on order of business was made as follows: Meet at 2.30 o'clock, P. M. Report on Aged Ministers' Relief: report on State Missions; afterwhich the Woman's Missionary Meeting be held in this house.

Association adjourned. Benediction by J. B. Newton.

SECOND DAY—Wednesday Afternoon.

Association reassembled at 2 o'clock P. M. Prayer by R. D. Carroll. J. N. Booth from the Tar River Association was welcomed to a seat in the Association. It was ordered, on motion, that the Executive committee inquire after the delinquent churches.

Report on Aged Ministers' Relief was read by J. B. Jackson.

Remarks were made by J. B. Jackson and J. F. McDuffie.

Pledges for Aged Ministers' Relief were called for and pledges amounting to $59.50 were given. Report adopted.

Report on State Missions was read. Remarks by B. W. Spilman, C. W. Blanchard and J. B. Newton. Pledges for State Missions were called for and made amounting to $443.00.

Report on order of business received as follows: Association to reassemble at 7 o'clock P. M., for the report on Foreign Mission.

Adjourned. Benediction by J. N. Booth.

SECOND DAY—Wednesday Evening.

Association reassembled at 7 o'clock, P. M. Called to order by the vice-moderator. Prayer by J. F. McDuffie.

Resolutions offering the Winterville High School property were offered and referred to a committee composed of the following; W. C. Newton, J. M. Alderman and Duffy Lane.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by C. W. Blanchard and J. N. Booth. Pledges were called for and made amounting to $140.

W. C. Newton called the attention of the Association to the Finance committee and its lack of minute funds and a cash collection of $4.71 was taken. Committee on order of business reported: 9.30 devotional service to be led by W. C. Newton: 10 o'clock Report on Orphanage; Report on Home Missions; Report of school investigating committee. Adjourned. Benediction by J. B. Newton.

THIRD DAY—Thursday Morning.

Association reconvened at 9.30 o'clock, A. M. Devotional exercises were conducted by W. C. Newton, who read the 139th Psalm. Prayers by J. F. McDuffie, J. N. Booth, J. D. Carroll and M. P. Davis. The committee on the place of the next Union was appointed as follows: G. E. Jackson, W. B. Wingate, and C. A. Gratham.

The committee on place and preacher of the next Association reported as follows: Having no petition from any of the churches for the next session of the Neuse Association, and the pastor and delegates of the Kinston church having invited us to meet with the Kinston church, we accept the invitation; M. P. Davis to preach the introductory sermon.

Report adopted.

Committee on digest of church letters reported.

Remarks by W. L. Bilbro.

Report on Orphanage read by C. F. Hopper. Discussed

by J. N. Booth, Jesse Vause and C. W. Blanchard. Pledges were made by the churches amounting to $233.50. Report adopted.

Report on Home Missions was read. Remarks by J. M. Alderman. Pledges amounting to $112.00 were made by the churches. Report adopted.

Report of the Finance committee read and approved.

A majority and a minority report were received from the committee on the Winterville school. Remarks by M. P. Davis, W. L. Bilbro, J. M. Alderman and C. W. Blanchard. The majority report, accepting the school property as offered in the original resolutions was unanimously adopted. On mention the following committee was appointed to recommend a board of trustees: W. C. Newton, C. W. Blanchard and J. M. Alderman.

Committee on obituaries reported no deaths in the membership of the Association during the past year.

The committee on the Union reported as follows:

We, your committee recommend that the next meeting of the union be held with La Grange church.

W. B. WINGATE.
C. A. GRANTHAM.
G. E. JACKSON.

The committee to nominate delegates to Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Convention reported as follows:

Your committee to nominate delegates to Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Convention beg to report as follows: To State Convention at Raleigh, N. C., C. W. Blanchard, J. M. Alderman and M. P. Davis; alternates, W. L. Bilbro, J. E. Peterson, R. H. Lewis. To Southern Baptist Convention at New Orleans, La., J. A. Pridgen; alternate, W. C. Newton.

Respectfully submitted,
COMMITTEE.

On motion the Clerk was instructed to supervise the printing and distribution of the Minutes and retain the usual fee for his services.

Committee to nominate trustees for the Winterville

school property reported. Report adopted by electing the eighteen trustees nominated.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are hereby tendered for the kind and hospitable way in which we have been so kindly entertained by the people of Winterville during the session of this Association.

Association adjourned. Benediction by J. B. Newton.

C. W. BLANCHARD, Moderator.

J. E. DEBNAM, Clerk.

Woman's Meeting.

The second annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of Neuse Association was held in Antioch church, Winterville, N. C., Wednesday afternoon, October 24, 1900, with Mrs. J. F. Parrott, of Kinston, President, and Miss Lena Spain, Secretary.

B. W. Spilman addressed words of encouragement to the Societies of the Association.

Reports were received from Pollocksville, Kinston and Goldsboro.

A new Society was organized in Antioch church.

Meeting adjourned.

MRS. J. F. PARROTT, President.

MISS LENA SPAIN, Secretary.

Reports.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

In this advanced age of the world's progress, when almost every one is seeking for some sort of literature, and when every denomination is sending forth its publications, and are using every effort to get their teachings in the hands of every one, it behooves Baptists to see that good, sound literature is disseminated in the homes of our people.

The Baptists of North Carolina are fortunate in the publication of religious journals, and can boast of as pure literature as any State in the Union. Therefore we take pleasure in recommending The Biblical Recorder, The North Carolina Baptist, Charity and Children, The Foreign Mission Journal, The Home Field, and The Exponent, all of which we commend to your sympathy and support.

We further recommend the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Neuse Association heartily endorse the editorials by the editor of The Biblical Recorder, written in the interest of peace and good will among our fellow citizens."

COMMITTEE.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The home is the unit of the nation. Destroy the units that make the nation and the nation is fallen. There is nothing that is destroying the home more than the liquor traffic. What have the churches done for temperance during the year? So far as we have been able to learn not one saloon has been closed. More than one has been opened. This says more people are drinking. We, your committee, call upon the churches to take a stand for the home, the nation and the church.

M. P. DAVIS.
W. H. BURKE.
J. L. MOORE.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The Sunday-school is the teaching agency of the church. Its power is no longer an open question. Is is often the

forerunner of church organization, evangelization and the development of Christians.

The statistical information is too meager for an accurate report. The Baptist State Convention pays some attention to the organization and development of Baptist Sunday-schools. Sunday-school Rallies, Institutes, Conventions, Summer Schools, the State Chautauqua and a Correspondence Course, are among the agencies used.

The State Sunday-school work needs our financial support. It is earnestly desired that every church make at least one offering to this work during each year.

B. W. SPILMAN.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

At no time in the history of our State has there been such wide spread interest in education. In this we greatly rejoice.

Now that both church and State are under renewed obligations to multiply the advantages for the children of the State, we insist that our people use every advantage that may be afforded in the common and graded schools. We insist, too, that academy schools, taught by godly, competent teachers, be established wherever practicable, and that these schools shall receive your sympathy and support.

Wake Forest College for our young men and the Baptist Female University for our young women, have come to us at the price of the greatest struggles and sacrifices. These are not inferior to any Colleges in the South. The atmosphere of these is all that could reasonably be expected of Christian Colleges. Nearly three hundred young men are enjoying the advantages at Wake Forest, and as large a number of young women would be at the Baptist Female Universitv if we had room. To make room for those who are there it was necessary for the Trustees to incur a debt of forty-two thousand dollars for building and furnishings.

We appeal to our people over the State to aid in the immediate payment of this debt and in the erection of another building for the large number who are now anxious to attend.

Ministerial Education.—The primary object in the organization of the Baptist State Convention was the edu-

cation of young men whom God had called into the ministry. There is nothing in the history of Wake Forest College of which we are prouder than its record in the education of poor young ministers. This call upon our liberality has grown more and more urgent as the years have come and gone. Thirty-six young men called of God to the ministry are now asking for aid.

Respectfully submitted,

O. L. STRINGFIELD.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Many are the difficulties that confront the efforts of the Executive Committee in doing its work. We constantly feel that we lack the means to furnish the needed support to the forces that are now at work on the field and have to shut our eyes to many worthy and promising places that we could advisedly cultivate.

In Jones county J. M. Alderman has rendered a faithful year's service, and while there have been very few additions to the membership we are assured that his work has been a success and our cause is in good shape for the future.

In Craven county C. F. Hopper has served for a part of the year. There have been no additions to the churches, but the leaders of our cause there assure us that he has greatly strengthened and established the churches in our principles and the future is more assuring for his having served them.

Pitt county has been served by W. L. Bilbro, and he reports the cause in good condition and reasonable progress made. At Winterville and Ayden we have two noble bands of workers and much destitution in the county near by that ought to be cultivated.

Greene county work is under the control of M. P. Davis. At Mount Nelson a good revival was held and some additions reported and the outlook is more encouraging than before. Castoria is in good condition and a meeting there will follow the meeting of the Association. This is one of our best points. The work at Snow Hill is not very encouraging and it is hard for the committee to see much outlook there. There are several other points served by Bro. Davis where churches will be organized very soon.

J. B. Jackson has done a faithful year's work in Lenoir

county. Good meetings have been held at Union and New Hope churches with some additions, and some mission points have been cultivated where churches will soon be organized. It is regretted by the churches and your committee that Bro. Jackson has found it necessary to relinquish his work to attend the Seminary. It is hoped that the churches of this section will unite in calling one pastor, so that provision can be made for the promising missions.

J. W. Rose has resigned the Wayne county field where he has rendered such faithful service for four years. Good meetings have been held in most of his churches and the work is left in fine plight for his successor. It is worth notice that a new chapel has been erected in North Goldsboro and one of the most notable revivals held in the Second church that has been witnessed in Goldsboro for many years. In order to evangelize the rapidly increasing factory population of Goldsboro we recommend that a Sunday be given to the northern part of the city.

Finally we desire to call the attention of the Association to the necessity for an increase in the number of lay workers.

On account of the small number of missionaries and the impossibility of securing more because of the lack of funds, this is the only method of evangelizing the people of our six counties that is now practicable. The few notable examples of successfully teaching and preaching that have been witnessed by us among the brethren of our churches have convinced us that much of the work must be done in this way.

C. W. Blanchard.
W. C. Newton.
W. H. Burke.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS.

The Baptist Ministers' Relief Board of North Carolina is one of the Boards of the Baptist State Convention. It is located at Durham, and is composed of nine members who are elected by the Convention every year.

The object of this Board is to provide for the support of aged and disabled Baptist ministers and their families. Its revenue is derived from the voluntary contributions of individuals and churches of the Convention. The constitution requires that one third of all the money received shall be invested as a permanent interest-bearing fund,

and two-thirds, with the interest from the invested fund, be distributed at the discretion of the Board, according to the needs of the beneficiaries. The constitution also requires that every applicant for assistance must satisfactorily fill out a blank, setting forth the condition of the applicant and the worthiness of his claim. And the application must be endorsed by the Moderator and Executive Committee of the Association to which the applicant belongs.

There are at present seventeen beneficiaries of the ministerial Board. Each of these receives about $50.00 a year from the Board.

J. B. JACKSON.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Our State Mission Board is the central committee through which the North Carolina Baptists have sent the gospel during the past year through one hundred ministers to the unevangelized of the State. They are now expending upon a basis of twenty thousand dollars, and the multiplication of the factory population and the addition of the mountain districts will necessitate an increase in expenditures of not less than twenty per cent. during the coming year unless we allow much available territory to remain in ignorance of our gospel.

W. C. NEWTON.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE WINTERVILLE SCHOOL.

Pursuant to a resolution passed by the stockholders of the Winterville High School, this the 24th day of October, 1900, we, a committee from that body, are authorized to offer the Neuse White Baptist Associotion, the property and all rights and privileges of ownership and control of the Winterville High School, in the village of Winterville, in Pitt county, comprising four acres of land to be hereafter described and a two-story school building, as will be seen in course of erection on this plot of land, completed and ready for use but unequipped. With the consideration on the part of the Association, if it shall see fit to accept the overture herein set forth, that they insure us the perpetu-

ation of a well equipped and well conducted school in our midst. These overtures are made with the full assurance of a continued and hearty co-operation of the local patrons of the school and citizens of the village of Winterville.

C. W. BLANCHARD.
L. L. KITTRELL.
A. G. COX.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The time has come when all who claim to feel an interest in the widening of the bounds of Christ's kingdom and profess to desire to be loyal to his truth, should no longer localize their interest in Missions. The same authority that we quote for salvation of all, and for the encouragement of any part of the world to expect its benefits, speaks in no unmistaken terms as to where this work should be done and the final limits of the duty of the saved to give the gospel. The field of our work is the world and if there is any certain exhortation for the spread of the gospel anywhere it is made clear as to our duty to the heathen, and our foreign fields of labor.

In all of our foreign fields of labor except China the work is now progressing with encouragement to the supporters. We believe that the final settlement of the present troubles in the Empire will make it possible for better work there and call for a great reinforcement of laborers to enter this populous territory to preach the gospel.

Every Christian's heart should feel sad over the present evil that has befallen our work and workers in China, and be ready with increased zeal and sacrifice to help rebuild the broken altars and establish them in new places. Let us more and more systematize our efforts to do the work and support it.

C. W. BLANCHARD.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Our Orphanage at Thomasville is now fifteen years old. It has been through all these years a home for fatherless children.

There are now in the Orphanage nearly two hundred children being fed, clothed and educated. The Orphanage appeals to us for help. The urgent needs for the present are:

1. Funds for paying current expenses.
2. Three or four thousand dollars for repairs.
3. A sufficient sum to complete the building and equipment of the Mills Memorial Building.

Our Orphanage enjoys an efficient and economical management. The children are comfortably clothed and fed, while the mental and spiritual development receive due attention.

Charity and Children is the organ of the Orphanage work, and is fulfilling its mission well.

We recommend:

1. That every Sunday-school in the Association make a monthly offering to the Orphanage and also subscribe to a number of copies of Charity and Children.
2. That we at the earliest possible time make a special offering in our churches for the Mills Memorial Building.

C. F. HOPPER.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board, located at Atlanta, has as its field the entire South, Oklahoma, Indian Territory and the Island of Cuba. The Board has men preaching the gospel to the destitute in every State and Territory within its borders. We are glad to report that the work compares favorably with any former year. The number of missionaries employed was 653 against 467 last year. Baptisms 6,552 against 4,739 last year. Total additions to churches 12,983 against 9,509 last year. Sunday-schools organized 512, with 14,768 teachers and pupils, against 297 schools organized last year with 7,710 teachers and pupils. A total of money raised on the field $115,869 against $110,639 last year. Since Cuba's liberation she is calling for the gospel as never before. She is calling for it from Southern Baptists.

J. M. ALDERMAN.

REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE ON WINTERVILLE SCHOOL.

For some time many in the Neuse Association have been seeking the necessary conditions and means to establish an Associational School. We are glad to find the necessary conditions here at Winterville—a healthful location, a moral atmosphere and an excellent people. We also

find an excellent school building being erected. We are glad this location and building has been offered this Association. We do advise the acceptance of the same.

J. M. ALDERMAN.
M. D. LANE.

REPORT ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

Your committee on Digest of Church Letters beg leave to report that during the past year the below named churches pledged and contributed the following amounts for the different objects of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention:

CHURCHES.	Pledged For 1901	Pledged For 1900	Contributed.	Below Pledge	Above Pledge	Loss	Gain
Antioch		$ 88.00	$ 94.75	$	$ 6.75	6	
Ayden		30.50	30.50	Even	Even		4
Castoria		29.00	31.30		2.50	3	
Cove							
Dover		9.00	1.50	7.50			
Emmaus		5.50		5.50		Even	Even
Falling Creek		31.50	50.10		18.60	Even	Even
Fort Barnwell		21.50	35.06		13.56	Even	Even
Goldsboro—First		254.00	899.86		646.86		7
Goldsboro—Second		16.50	19.00		2.50		5
Kinston		325.00	651.71		326.71		25
LaGrange		51.00	59.00		8.00	Even	Even
Mount Calvary		16.50	22.64		6.14		2.
Mount Nelson		11.75	13.41		1.66	Even	Even
New Hope		33.00	35.45		2.55		7
Pollocksville		54.00	41.88	12.12		Even	Even
Piney Grove		28.50	5.19	23.31			2
Seven Springs		14.50	18.12		3.63	3	
Snow Hill		14.00	9.00	5.00		Even	Even
Spring Garden		19.00	19.00	Even	Even	Even	Even
Trenton		11.00	8.00	3.00		2	
Union		15.00	19.27		3.77		1
Totals		$1.096.75	$2,063.24	$ 48.93	$1,042.23	14	54

From the above we see that two churches pledged the same they contributed, and five churches fell below their pledges to the amount of $48.98; thirteen churches excelled their pledges by $1,042.23; from two churches, Dover and Cove, we have no letters. This makes a total increase for the twenty-two churches over their pledges of $993.30.

We also see that eight churches neither gained nor lost in membership during the past year; and that four churches met a total loss of 14; and that nine met a total gain of 54, making a total increase for the twenty-two churches in membership of 40 during the past year.

The total membership of the twenty-two churches com-

prising the Neuse Association at its second session, which met with the Winterville church is 1,372.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. Jackson.
O. H. Perry.
J. R. Moore.

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

NEUSE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association shall be known as the Neuse Baptist Association.

2. Its object shall be to extend the privileges of the gospel and liberal culture to all the people within its bounds, and by hearty co-operation with the Baptist State Convention, to help offer these privileges to all mankind in and out of our bounds, by the cordial co-operation of all the churches constituting this body.

3. It shall be composed of the pastors in active service in the Association and such delegates as shall be annually elected by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates unless the membership shall exceed fifty, and then an additional delegate for every twenty-five members, provided, no church shall have more than eight delegates, female representatives exercising the privileges that would be granted them at the business meetings of their churches.

4. The "New Hampshire Declaration of Faith" shall be the summary of Divine Truth for determining questions of faith and order in this body, and the churches desiring membership in it must commit themselves to the substance of it, together with the Covenant therewith submitted and this Constitution.

5. This Association shall not have power to annul the discipline or exercise authority over any church connected with it, but it may advise with, and sever its connection with any church that neglects to preserve gospel order, or that treats with contempt the objects or advice of the Association.

6. Each church shall send to the annual meetings of the Association a letter (the blanks to be furnished by the Clerk of the Association) carefully filled as per blank suggestions, stating the full work of the church for the year

ending with the close of the month previous to the one in which the Association is held.

7. The Association shall foster State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, the Aged Ministers' Relief Board, the Thomasville Orphanage, and the Sunday-School Board, and each church shall be requested to contribute to the support of these objects annually.

8. Missions and Education shall have precedence in their claims upon the consideration of this body in its regular sessions.

9. Whenever a church shall fail to be represented by delegates or letter at the annual sessions of the Association, or shall fail to contribute to the objects fostered by the Association, inquiry shall be made for the cause, efforts shall be made to induce such a church to do its duty, and the effort shall be continued till the church is recovered or dropped from the roll.

10. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Historian, and a Treasurer, elected annually by ballot, from among its members, to serve until their successors shall have been elected, and to perform the duties usual to such officers, namely, the Moderator in presiding, or Vice-Moderator in his absence, over the meetings, the Clerk in recording and preserving minutes and other papers belonging to the body, the Treasurer in receiving and disbursing funds belonging to or entrusted to the body according to its will, the Historian in keeping a continuous record of the work and progress of the entire Association and making an annual report of same to each of its sessions.

11. The Association shall appoint annually an Executive Committee of three (3) from its members, who shall be intrusted with the prosecution of missions in the Association, and any other work for the interest of the Master's Kingdom which may be referred to them. This Committee shall, as far as possible, co-operate with the State Mission Board in supplying the destitution in our territory, and between the meetings of the Association take such action as may seem to them advisable for the advancement of its interests. The Committee shall present to the Association at its annual meeting a report of all its proceedings, with the names of the Missionaries supported on the field, time of service, and detail of their work, together with such recommendations as in the

judgment of the Committee the Association should follow in planning its subsequent work.

12. The annual sessions of the Association shall begin on Tuesday after the third Lord's day in October at such place as may be chosen, and an introductory sermon shall be delivered on the first day of the session. Representatives from a majority of the churches constituting the Association shall be a quorum.

13. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

14. Provisions shall be made at each annual Association for a session of the Woman's Central Committee and all other necessary encouragement offered for the enlargement of the organized work of the Woman's Missionary Societies in the local churches. The proceedings of the Woman's Central Committee shall be recorded as a part of the minutes of the Association.

BY-LAWS.

1. The daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Delegates shall be recognized by letters from their churches designating them as such.

3. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or the delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand.

4. The report of the Executive Board and the Missionary work of the Association, shall take precedence of all other business during the morning session of the second day of the annual session.

5. The Clerk shall record and read the proceedings when called for, superintend the publication and distribution of the Minutes, preserve a file of them, and have it present at each annual session, and deliver to his successor all papers belonging to the body.

6. Members desiring to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "brother" in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe the courtesy that becomes Christians.

7. Members shall not absent themselves from the session without permission.

8. The roll of members shall be called at least once and absentees marked.

9. Corresponding messengers and visiting brethren shall be invited to seats, with privilege of speaking but not of voting.

10. A copy of the Minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board; the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention; the American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut street, Philadelphia; the Sunday-School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the Thomasville Orphanage.

11. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by "Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

Pledges for 1901.

CHURCHES.	Ministers' Relief.	Orphanage.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Totals.
Antioch	$ 5.00	$ 15.00	$ 50.00	$ 3.00	$ 5.00	$ 10.00	$ 88.00
Ayden	2.50	5.00	20.00	1.50	4.00	3.00	36.00
Castoria	4.00	5.00	10.00	2.50	5.00	2.50	29.00
Cove	1.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	2.00
Dover	1.00	.....	3.00	.....	.....	1.00	5.00
Emmaus	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Falling Creek	2.00	5.00	15.00	2.00	5.00	2.50	31.50
Fort Barnwell	2.50	5.00	7.50	2.00	4.00	1.00	22.00
Goldsboro—First	12.00	75.00	110.00	25.00	35.00	25.00	282.00
Goldsboro—Second	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	2.50	2.00	14.50
Kinston	10.00	75.00	125.00	50.00	50.00	15.00	325.00
LaGrange	5.00	22.50	15.00	6.00	7.50	.....	56.00
Mount Calvary	1.00	2.00	7.50	2.00	5.00	1.00	18.50
Mount Nelson	1.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	11.00
New Hope	2.00	5.00	18.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	33.00
Pollocksville	1.50	.....	15.00	5.00	10.00	.....	31.50
Piney Grove	1.00	2.00	5.00	3.00	3.00	.....	14.00
Seven Springs	1.00	3.00	6.00	1.00	2.50	1.00	14.50
Snow Hill	1.00	2.00	2.50	1.00	2.00	1.00	9.50
Spring Garden	2.00	2.00	10.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	19.00
Trenton	1.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	10 00
Union	3.00	2.00	7.50	2.00	2.50	2.00	19.00
Totals	$59.00	$233.50	$443.00	$112.00	$150.00	$73,00	$1,171.00

Church Statistics.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS AND ADDRESSES.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Baptisms.	Rec'd by Letter,	Restored.	Dismis'd by Let'r	Excluded.	Died.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity of Church.	Number of Males.	Number of Females.	Total Membership.
Antioch	W. L. Bilbro	W. J. Wyatt, Winterville	Fourth	3	....	....	1	5	3	$ 700.00	250	32	36	68
Ayden	W. L. Bilbro	C. L. Tyson, Ayden	Second	....	5	....	....	....	1	450.00	250	11	21	32
Castoria	M. P. Davis	T. W. Carr, Castoria	Third	....	2	....	5	....	....	500.00	200	14	22	36
*Cove				....	....	....	....	....	....		....	....	....	....
*Dover				....	....	....	....	....	....		....	....	....	14
Emmaus	J. W. Rose	J. C. Edwards, Dudley	First	1	....	....	....	....	....	450.00	400	7	20	27
Falling Creek	J. W. Rose	T. J. Hood, Grantham's	Fourth	1	....	....	1	....	1	600.00	200	38	42	80
Fort Barnwell	C. F. Hopper	J. W. Lane, Fort. Barnwell	Third	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	20	20	40
Goldsboro—First	W. C. Newton	J. M. Hollowell, Goldsboro	Every	8	5	1	6	....	1	10,000.00	600	132	188	320
Goldsboro—Second	J. W. Rose	W. A. Denmark, Goldsboro	Third	4	2	....	1	....	....	750.00	150	23	57	80
Kinston	C. W. Blanchard	R. H. Lewis, Kinston	Every	23	13	....	2	8	1	17,500.00	800	71	158	229
LaGrange	J. F. McDuffie	W. H. Burke, LaGrange	Fourth	3	....	....	2	2	....	2,000.00	500	19	47	66
Mount Calvary	J. W. Rose	R. A. Parker, Goldsboro	First	1	2	....	....	....	1	250.00	200	10	11	21
Mount Nelson	M. P. Davis	Mrs. A. L. Strother, Eureka	First	....	....	....	....	....	....	500.00	300	5	11	16
New Hope	J. B. Jackson	W. E. Sutton, Kinston	Third	7	1	....	1	.	....	450.00	200	23	39	62
Pollocksville	J. M. Alderman	T. A. Bell, Pollocksville	Fourth	1	....	....	1	....	3	....	....	19	29	48
Piney Grove	J. M. Alderman	A. D. Kellum, Olivers	Second	7	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	67
Seven Springs	J. W. Rose	S. D. Byrd, Seven Springs	Second	....	....	....	2	....	1	500.00	150	17	20	37
Snow Hill	M. P. Davis	T. D. Hackney, Bull Head	Second	....	....	....	....	....	....	500.00	250	7	17	24
Spring Garden	C. F. Hopper	Mrs. W. M. Carmen, Lima	First	....	....	....	....	....	....	200.00	125	4	8	12
Trenton	J. M. Alderman	C. C. Perry, Trenton	First	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	8	16	24
Union	J. B. Jackson	W. W. Rouse, Strabane	Second	2	....	....	....	....	1	500.00	250	13	23	36

*Not Represented.

Sunday-School Statistics.

SCHOOLS.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	No. of Lesson Helps Taken.	School Expenses.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Total Contributions.	No. Copies Charity & Children Taken.
Antioch	A. G. Cox, Winterville	9	110	110	110	$ 20.88	$ 6.75	$.....	$ 27.63	19
Ayden	W. C. Jackson, Ayden	6	60	50	80	14.85	.....	.....	14.85	10
Castoria	F. L. Carr, Castoria	3	34	20	.....	1.63	.....	.....	1.63	....
*Cove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
*Dover	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
*Emmaus	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Falling Creek	J. B. Grantham, Grantham	4	73	40	66	6.31	.....	2.60	8.91	....
Fort Barnwell	M. H. Carr, Fort Barnwell	2	30	10	32	3.00	.....	.....	3.00	....
Goldsboro—First	H. B. Parker, Goldsboro	28	315	228	.....	47.00	41.13	68.00	156.13	40
Goldsboro—Second	J. J. Robinson, Goldsboro	10	132	66	65	23.00	6.00	2.00	31.00	....
Kinston	J. A. McDaniel, Kinston	19	304	115	315	117.00	60.00	3.66	179.66	75
LaGrange	J. E. Jones, LaGrange	6	50	40	58	10.00	23.00	.....	33.00	25
Mount Calvary	R. A. Parker, Goldsboro	3	28	20	30	6.75	.....	.....	6.75	....
Mount Nelson	S. S. Strother, Eureka	5	35	30	40	2.50	1.00	.....	3.50	10
New Hope	W. E. Sutton, Kinston	5	50	45	58	6.00	.....	.....	6.00	....
Pollocksville	F. A. Bell, Pollocksville	5	35	56	.....	.....	4.50	.....	4.50	....
Piney Grove	A. D. Kellum, Olivers	6	25	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Seven Springs	G. G. Quinn, Seven Springs	3	33	19	24	3.12	.....	.....	3.12	....
Snow Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Spring Garden	H. W. Dixon	5	26	20	20	2.40	.....	.....	2.40	....
Trenton	C. C. Perry, Trenton	2	9	7	12	2.00	.....	.....	2.00	....
Union	T. E. Elmore, Strabane	8	40	25	50	4.50	3.66	.41	8.57	1
Totals	.....	129	1,419	901	985	$262.93	$206.04	$76.57	$572.65	180

*No Statistics.

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KINSTON BAPTIST CHURCH, KINSTON, N. C.

OCTOBER 22 AND 23, 1901.

Next Session to be held with Falling Creek Church, Grantham, N. C., Rev. C. A. Jenkens to preach the Introductory Sermon.

Session to begin at 11 o'clock, a. m., Tuesday after the third Lord's Day in October, 1902.

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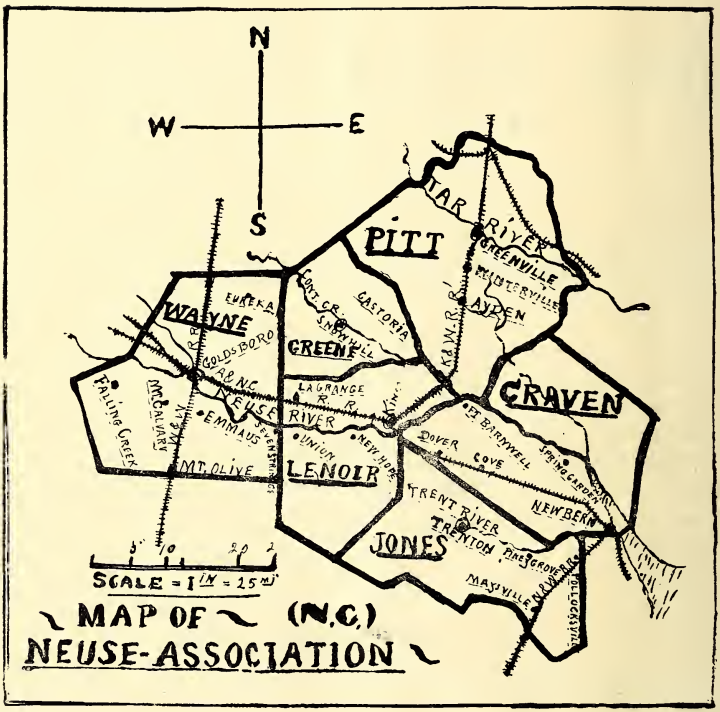
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MAP OF (N.C.)
NEUSE-ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS:

Moderator—C. W. Blanchard.....Kinston, N. C.
Vice-Moderator—J. D. Cox.....Winterville, N. C.
Clerk—Joseph J. Rogers.....Kinston, N. C.
Treasurer—A. G. Cox.....Winterville, N. C.
Historian—C. A. Jenkens.....Goldsboro, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

C. W. Blanchard, C. A. Jenkens, A. G. Cox.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Home Missions—J. B. Jackson.
Foreign Missions—J. B. Newton.
State Missions—M. P. Davis.
Orphanage—Dr. R. H. Lewis.
Education—G. E. Lineberry.
Periodicals—C. A. Jenkens.
Temperance—J. D. Cox.
Aged Minister's Relief—W. G. Britt.
Sunday School—J. J. Rogers.
Church Building in Neuse Association—Executive Committee of Association.

MINISTERIAL REGISTER.

C. W. Blanchard.....Kinston, N. C.
J. S. Bookhart.....LaGrange, N. C.
M. P. Davis.....Snow Hill, N. C.
J. K. Falkner.....Kinston, N. C.
S. E. Garner.....Pollocksville, N. C.
J. B. Jackson.....Goldsboro, N. C.
C. A. Jenkens.....Goldsboro, N. C.
J. B. Newton.....Fort Barnwell, N. C.

LIST OF MESSENGERS.

Antioch—A. G. Cox, G. E. Lineberry, W. B. Nobles, J. D. Cox, W. B Wingate, W. J. Jackson, Miss Nannie D. Wood.
Ayden—J. B. Carroll.
Castoria—S. F. Elliott, B. E. Albritton, Mrs. Dora Carr.
Cove—T. B. Ipock.
Dover—Not represented.
Emmaus—Not represented.
Falling Creek—T. J. Hood.
Fort Barnwell—J. B. Newton.
Goldsboro, First—C. A. Jenkens, M. M. Hood, A. H. Humphrey, Mrs. C. A. Jenkens, Mrs. H. L. Grant, Mrs. S. D. Pettiway, W. L. Lane, W. G. Britt.
Goldsboro, Second—J. B. Jackson.
Kinston—B. F. Dillahunt, E. F. Cox, C. M. Jones, J. A. Pridgen, R. H. Lewis.
LaGrange—J. E. Jones, J. E. Debnam.
Mount Calvary—Jno. R. Parker, Henry A. Parker.
Mount Nelson—W. M. Bagley.
New Hope—J. J. Croom, Mrs. A. M. Croom.
Pollocksville—S. E. Garner, T. A. Bell.
Piney Grove—B. A. Riggs, A. D. Kellum, Mrs. Sallie Riggs.
Seven Springs—Not represented.
Snow Hill—M. P. Davis, Miss Louisa Joyner.
Spring Garden—O. H. Perry.
Trenton—Lewis King.
Union—Mrs. Frank Outlaw, W. W. Rouse.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—Morning Session.

The third annual session of Neuse Association convened with Kinston Church, Kinston, N. C., 11 o'clock a. m. Tuesday, October 22nd, 1901.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. C. A. Jenkens.

Moderator C. W. Blanchard called the Association to order and appointed J. B. Jackson and J. D. Cox committee on enrollment. They reported fifty messengers present.

The regular order being the election of officers for the Associational year, a vote by ballot was taken with the following result:

Moderator—C. W. Blanchard.
Vice-Moderator—J. D. Cox.
Clerk—Joseph J. Rogers.
Treasurer—A. G. Cox.
Historian—C. A. Jenkens.

C. A. Jenkens offers the following resolution, which is unanimously adopted:

Resolved, "That No. 11 of the By-Laws be so amended as to read 'Kerfoot's Parliamentary Law' instead of 'Mills' Parliamentary Practice'."

The moderator extended a hearty welcome to the following visitors: Rev. J. W. Cobb, representing the *Biblical Recorder*, Bro. Thompson, Chesterfield Association, S. C. Rev. J. N. Tolar of the Atlantic Association, Beaufort, N. C. Rev. W. G. Johnson of the Disciple Church, Kinston, N. C., the latter extended the use of his church to any of our ministers who might remain over Sunday.

By request of Moderator J. K. Falkner made the following partial report on Order of Business:

Re-assemble at 2 o'clock P. M. Devotional exercises followed by the following reports in order named: Minister's Relief, Periodicals, Temperance. Adjourn. Re-assemble at 7 o'clock. Introductory Sermon followed by report on State Missions and adjourn at will.

The following Committees were announced:

Enrollment—J. D. Cox, J. B. Jackson.
Order of Business—J. K. Falkner, J. B. Newton, J. A. Pridgen.
Finance—J. A. Pridgen, John R. Parker, T. B. Ipock.
Petitionary Letters—C. A. Jenkens, J. A. McDaniel, T. J. Hood.
Digest of Letters—J. B. Jackson, J. J. Croom.
To nominate Delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions—J. E. Debnam, W. B. Noble, W. M. Bagley.
To nominate Member of Board of Missions—A. D. Kellum, Rudolph Croom, C. M. Jones.
To nominate Trustees to fill vacancies in Board of Trustees Winterville High School—J. D. Cox, M. P. Davis, J. A. McDaniel.

To nominate Executive Committee—G. E. Lineberry, J. H. Cannady, Louis King.

Obituaries—J. B. Newton, E. F. Cox, R. H. Lewis.

Place and Preacher for next session—S. E. Garner, J. B. Carroll, L. F. Elliott.

Association adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock p. m.

FIRST DAY—Afternoon Session.

The Association met at 2 o'clock. Devotional services conducted by Rev. J. N. Tolar.

In the absence of J. F. McDuffie, the Moderator requested J. K. Falkner to make report on "Aged Minister's Relief."

Dr. Jno. D. Biggs delivers a very earnest address of welcome on the part of Kinston Baptist Church and citizens of Kinston, followed by a most appropriate response by G. E. Lineberry in behalf of the visitors.

Report on Aged Ministers Relief was read by J. K. Falkner, who together with J. E. Debnam discussed same. Report adopted and pledges for ensuing year taken amounting to $66.50.

J. A. McDaniel submits report on Periodicals and discusses same followed by J. W. Cobb, representing the *Biblical Recorder,* R. H. Lewis, T. J. Hood, C. A. Jenkens and J. B. Newton. Report is unanimously adopted.

Report on Temperance is submitted and read by A. G. Cox, who delivers a very practicable, forceful and interesting address on this subject. Report adopted.

J. E. Debnam, Chairman Committee to nominate delegates to State and Southern Baptist Convention reports as follows:

We your Committee on nomination of delegates to Southern Baptist and State Baptist Conventions, beg to report as follows: We nominate to Southern Baptist Convention C. A. Jenkens delegate, J. B. Jackson, alternate. To State Baptist Convention J. K. Falkner, R. H. Lewis and J. B. Newton delegates, M. P. Davis, S. E. Garner and J. J. Rogers alternates.

Report adopted.

Adjourned to meet at 7 o'clock.

FIRST DAY—Evening Session.

The Association met at 7 o'clock P. M. Introductory Sermon is preached by Rev. M. P. Davis from Galatians second chapter and twentieth verse.

The following brethren were welcomed. Rev. Livingston Johnson, Corresponding Secretary Baptist State Convention, Archibald

Johnson, editor *Charity and Children,* Prof. W. R. Cullom Secretary Board of Education, T. Neil Johnson Field Secretary Sunday School Board, S. F. Conrad, representing the *North Carolina Baptist* and M. L. Kestler and Noah Biggs visitors from the Tar River Association.

Report on State Missions is submitted and read by J. B. Newton who yields the floor to Corresponding Secretary Livingston Johnson who discusses in a most interesting and impressive manner our State Mission work. After which a collection for same is taken amounting to $12.48.

Report is adopted and pledges to this purpose for ensuing year are taken amounting to $445.00.

J. K. Falkner, Chairman Committee on Order of Business submits the following final report which is adopted.

Second Day: Meet at 9:30 o'clock—Devotional exercises.
10 o'clock—Miscellaneous business.
10:30 o'clock Report of Executive Committee and Missionaries.
11:30—Report on Foreign Missions.
Afternoon: Meet at 2:30 o'clock. Devotional exercises. 3 o'clock. Report on Home Missions, followed by Report on Sunday Schools.
Evening: 7 o'clock Devotional exercises. Followed by Reports on Education, Winterville High School and Orphanage.

The Moderator announced that by the courtesy of the pastor of that church, the Woman's Meeting would be held in the Presbyterian Church to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Association adjourned to meet to-morrow 9:30 o'clock a. m.

SECOND DAY—Wednesday Morning.

The Association met at 9:30 o'clock a. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by J. K. Falkner. The minutes of Tuesday were read by the Clerk and approved.

C. A. Jenkens presents the following report on Petitionary Letters, which is adopted:

We recommend that the Letter of Maysville Baptist Church from the Atlantic Association be received.

C. A. JENKENS,
J. A. McDANIEL,
T. J. HOOD.

Report of Executive Committee was read by C. W. Blanchard, who discussed same followed by J. K. Falkner, T. J. Hood, J. B. Newton, A. G. Cox, M. P. Davis, G. E. Lineberry and W. M. Bagley. Report adopted.

G. E. Lineberry moves to appoint a committee of three on Church

Buildings in Neuse Association. Amended by consent that the Executive Comittee should constitute this Committee. Adopted.

Ordered that pledges to build Maysville Church be taken; whereupon the roll was called and pledges taken amounting to $55.50.

Rev. Hight C. Moore, First Church New Bern, and Rev. A. R. Harnly, Tabernacle New Bern, were recognized and welcomed.

The following report was submitted by G. E. Lineberry and unanimously adopted.

We your Committee to nominate an Executive Board for the coming year recommend C. W. Blanchard, C. A. Jenkens and A. G. Cox.

G. E. LINEBERRY,
J. H. CANADY,
LOUIS KING.

Report on Foreign Missions is read and discussed by G. E. Lineberry and C. A. Jenkens.

Report adopted and pledges taken amounting to $147.50.

Association adjourned to meet 2:30 P. M.

SECOND DAY—Wednesday Afternoon.

Association re-assembled at 2:30 o'clock. Reading scripture and prayer by J. K. Falkner.

On motion of J. B. Newton it is ordered that J. K. Falkner preside as Moderator until Moderator and Vice-Moderator return from Committee work.

A. D. Kellum, Chairman Committee to nominate a member of Board of Missions reports that the Committee recommend the name of C. W. Blanchard. Report is adopted and C. W. Blanchard elected.

Report on Home Missions is read and discussed by C. A. Jenkens and J. B. Newton.

Report is adopted and pledges taken amounting to $120.00.

S. E. Garner, Chairman Committee on Place and Preacher for next session makes the following report which is adopted:

The Committee on Place and Preacher of next Association report: We accept an invitation from Falling Creek Church, Grantham, N. C. C. A. Jenkens to preach the Introductory Sermon.

S. E. GARNER,
J. B. CARROLL.

J. B. Jackson reads report on Sunday Schools and after a few brief remarks yields the floor to T. Neil Johnson, Sunday School Field Secretary, who discussed the Sunday School work in a very interesting manner.

Association adjourns.

SECOND DAY—Wednesday Evening.

Association assembled at 7 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Archibald Johnson

Report of Committee to nominatee Trustees Winterville High School is read by J. D. Cox as follows:

The Committee to nominate Trustees Winterville High School beg leave to make the following report: We nominate E. W. Cox, J. S. Bookhart, C. W. Pridgen, W. Duffy Lane, T. A. Bell, and F. O. Cox to succeed themselves whose term of office expires by virtue of the act of Incorporation at this annual session.

J. D. COX,
M. P. DAVIS.

Report is unanimously adopted:

Collection to supplement the minute fund is taken amounting to $5.70.

J. D. Cox reads report on Education. This is followed by report of Executive Committee of Winterville High School read by C. W. Blanchard. Report adopted.

The floor was yielded to Prof. W. R. Cullom of Wake Forest College who with great force and power discussed the subject of Education.

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the Executive Committee be instructed to devise methods for paying the indebtedness on the Winterville High School.

C. A. JENKENS.

Report on Education was adopted and pledges taken amounting to $81.00.

Report on Orphanage is made by M. P. Davis, who yields the floor to Archibald Johnson, editor *Charity and Children.*

Cash collection is taken amounting to $13.06.

Roll of churches are called and pledges made amounting to $242.50.

Ordered that Committees on Digest of Church Letters, Obituaries and Finance be authorized to report to Clerk and reports to appear in Minutes.

Moderator is authorized to report list of Standing Committees to Clerk and same to appear in the minutes.

The Association adjourned.

Benediction by Rev. M. L. Kestler.

C. W. BLANCHARD,
Moderator.

JOSEPH J. ROGERS,
Clerk.

WOMAN'S MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union, of Neuse Association, was held in the Presbyterian Church, on Wednesday, Oct. 23rd, at 2:30 P. M.

Mrs. R. H. Lewis presided over the meeting and Mrs. J. F. Parrott acted as Secretary.

After hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," Mrs. M. E. Loftin led in prayer; and roll was then called and delegates responded by verses of Scripture.

Mrs. B. W. Hatcher then delivered the address of welcome, which was responded to by Mrs. C. A. Jenkens, of Goldsboro.

After Hymn, "Jesus shall Reign" &c., Scripture lesson, 27th, Psalm, was read by Mrs. R. H. Lewis, followed with prayer by Mrs. Hiram Grant, of Goldsboro.

Roll of churches was called; but only three churches, to-wit: Fort Barnwell, Goldsboro First Church and Kinston, reported work done during the year.

Very interesting papers were read on the following subjects: "Who shall train the children for Missions," by Mrs. W. P. Sutton; "How shall we reach those who care nothing for and give nothing to Missions?", by Mrs. J. F. Parrott; "Our Missionaries and our native brethren in China," by Mrs. J. A. Pridgen; "Why we should have a Missionary Society," by Miss Stella Middleton.

After a beautiful solo and chorus by Mrs. M. A. Brown and Miss May Lincoln, the Society listened to a most eloquent appeal for Missions by Mr. Archibald Johnson, editor of *Charity and Children.*

This most delightful and profitable session was closed with prayer by Bro. Johnson.

On Thursday at 9 a. m., there was a called meeting of mission workers in the parlors of Mrs. Lovit Hines, to listen to words of counsel and encouragement from Miss E. A. Draughan, Vice-President of the Buncombe County Association, who failed to reach Kinston in time for the meeting on Wednesday.

Mrs. R. H. Lewis,
President.

Mrs. J. F. Parrott,
Secretary.

REPORTS.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS AND SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE.

The printing press has become a powerful agency both for good and evil. All kinds of literature is scattered broad-cast over our land; and much that is hurtful goes into many of our homes. Our Baptist homes should be well guarded from the evils of bad books and worse literature and blessed with the pure and good. All should read the Biblical Recorder. It has been and is now a great power for good in the development of all our denominational interests. With an able and progressive man in the editorial chair, there is promise of still better things for the future.

We also endorse Charity and Children, one of the best papers in the State. The North Carolina Baptist and our own Sunday School Literature, published by our Southern Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn.; also the Foreign Mission Journal and Home Field.

We recommend that our Churches and Sunday Schools buy this literature from the Baptist Book Store at Raleigh, N. C.

J. A. McDANIEL, Chairman.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The Bible commands us to be temperate in all things, yet we believe the word intemperance applies more to the use of alcoholic drinks than to all other vices known in our midst.

We are acquainted with its destructive work in our churches, our homes and especially among our young men. Social dram-drinking is the most inviting way to this vice.

How shall we as christians labor to do away with the social use of Alcoholic drinks and protect our churches, our homes and our young men against this great evil?

A. G. COX.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We realize that the preaching service in our churches, where the pastor feeds the whole flock, from the pulpit, is very important; by it many are edified and some are led to Christ. But we realize further, that the best way and the way that most people are reached for Christ is by personal contact. The Sunday School is one of the best, if not the very best place for this personal work. For here you can single out your scholars and talk to them one by one; you can tell who is affected by the truth; you can here impress some that the preacher could never reach from the pulpit. And whereas statistics show that between 85 and 90 per cent. of all church members come from the ranks of the Sunday School, we should endeavor to have a well organized Sunday School in all of our churches. And we should spare no means or expense to make it attractive, for both old and young so that it will not be regarded as an hour of drudgery, but an hour of pleasure.

The State Sunday School work needs our financial support. It has been asked by the leaders of the Sunday School work (and it is just that it should be granted) that each church make at least one contribution to this work during the year.

J. B. JACKSON,
J. B. CARROLL,
Committee.

EDUCATION.

In the general awakening of educational interests throughout our State it is a source of congratulation to the Baptists that they have borne so conspicuous a part in originating and fostering an enterprise which has for its avowed purpose the making of men and women in the largest sense of these terms.

This great awakening in our midst, presents one of the greatest opportunities, and therefore constitutes one of the most urgent calls that has come to our people in all their history.

The field is white unto harvest in this as well as in the Evangelical sphere of the Lord's work.

In fifty distinct centers of North Carolina our Baptist people have built and equipped institutions of learning whose purpose it is to take our boys and girls from the primary schools and equip them for usefulness in the service of Christ.

OUR COLLEGES.

Wake Forest College is the pioneer of all Colleges in the State in the distinctive work of Christian Education.

For almost three score and ten years this institution has been engaged in the work of giving to our churches teachers and helpers.

This school has perhaps never done a better work than it is doing to-day. With its beautiful campus and five magnificent buildings and its well selected library of 15,000 volumes, its fourteen schools, its sixteen teachers and three hundred students make it the equal of any similar Institution in the South.

About two years ago our Baptist Female University at Raleigh, was opened to the girls of this and other States.

This School with a central building that is one of the most beautiful and well equipped school buildings of the State with three dormitories which reflect credit to the skill of the Executive Committee, with its twenty teachers that stand among the foremost educators of the State, with its 238 girls ought to be the pride of every Baptist in North Carolina.

ASSOCIATIONAL SCHOOLS.

Marvelous as it may seem, yet it is true, where ten years ago we did not have a single associational school, they tell us to-day there are forty-seven. And in this connection we mention with pride our Winterville High School, which is the property of the Neuse Association and is deserving of liberal patronage of all our people.

We also commend to our people the Kinsey-Debnam School at LaGrange which is under the efficient management of Brother J. E. Debnam.

OUR BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The special work of this Board is to find those upon whom God has laid his hand for the work of the gospel Ministry, and in every way possible to encourage and help these men to prepare themselves for their highest and best work as the Spiritual leaders of our Churches. The work of this Board was never more important than to-day. There are thirty-nine men now receiving aid and about a half-dozen others are expected after Christmas.

OUR CENTURY MOVEMENT.

At the last session of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention it was agreed that the Baptists of the State would try to signalize this opening year of the New Century by raising one hundred thousand dollars as a thank offering to God for his blessings on us as a people during the past Century. This is to be appropriated to the Baptist Educational Institutions of the State.

Respectfully,

J. D. COX, Committee.

TRUSTEES REPORT FROM WINTERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL.

It is exceedingly gratifying to report the condition of the school good in every way and in a state of prosperity that surpasses what was our most sanguine expectations.

We have a most excellent corps of teachers, who in their respective charges have fully met our expectation, and we believe are unsurpassed in point of efficiency, by the faculty of any similar school in the State. The Academy building that will accommodate two hundred pupils, has been completed, with one coat of paint on the outside.

Besides the class rooms in this building, there is an auditorium that will seat about 400, which is also furnished. There are four small music rooms or dormitories included in this building. In the building are a library and case valued at $150.00. The class-rooms are equipped with the best modern desks, blackboards, &c., well ventilated and prepared for heating. The whole structure and equipment are valued at $3,227.24.

On the grounds a spacious dormitory has been erected and completed and furnished with the best modern furnishings, with a kitchen and dining-room attached.

The building will accommodate about 70 pupils, with table capacity for 60 to eat at once. The building is presided over by the faculty of the school and is especially for girls, and the culinary department is in the hands of a duly elected Matron. The building has one coat of paint inside and out. The value of the building and furnishings is $5,960.68. The grounds on which these buildings are placed are valued at $665.

The following is a condensed statement from the treasurer's report:

Assets in Permanent Improvement.

Academy building and furnishings	$3,227.24
Library and Case	150.00
Academy ground (5 acres)	665.00
Dormitory and Furnishings	5,960.68
Total	$9,992.92
To outstanding indebtedness on all school property	$6,724.45

There are now 95 pupils enrolled. The school is fully paying its own expenses and bids fair to increase its prosperity.

C. W. BLANCHARD,
For the Committee.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The territory of the Neuse Association presents the largest area of destitution, from the Baptist standpoint, of any section of North Carolina. Besides the real destitution there are many difficulties in the way of evangelization. Many of these difficulties are peculiar to this field alone. On this territory heresies run riot with each other, and the Baptist Missionary has not only the difficulty of overcoming prejudice to be heard, but the false teaching of so long standing and deep rooting as to the essentials in the doctrines of eternal life and a New Testament Church, has to do even with the Membership of our own churches in a greater or lesser degree. The Armenian, Omissionary or Antimissionary Spirit are much in the way of cultivating our own members. This will necessarily make the progress of the Baptists in this section slow. But we are not without our encouragements. There are some people among us that have conviction. They are loyal and self-sacrincing. Our inroads to the hearts of the people generally are widening and multiplying. Many points of advantage are already gained. The Spirituality of our people is distinguishing them. Their attitude to all that affects the civil, moral and religious weal of the people is giving them consideration in the hearts of the thinking people. We stand to-day on vantage ground in our work.

There are at least a half dozen new houses of worship needed in the Association. At all of these places churches could be organized if houses were provided. Much economy in our work would be achieved in providing this want at once. The new points at which churches certainly should be built are, Dover, in Craven county; Haskin's Chapel, in Jones county; Sandy Bottom, in Lenoir county; Mewborn's School House and Bull Head in Greene county, and Fremont in Wayne county. In addition to these points we need to open and maintain regular preaching at Chip and Vanceboro in Craven county, Fremont in Wayne and Farmville in Pitt.

During last year much of our Mission Field was without preaching for a part of the year. Rev. J. W. Rose left the Wayne field in the beginning of the year and his successor, Rev. J. B. Jackson, began work about the first of June. Rev. J. S. Bookhart entered the Lenoir field three months after the meeting of the Association. Rev. J. K. Falkner did not accept Mission work in the Pitt county field at all. The Jones county churches have not called on the Executive Committee for help at all. Bro. J. B. Newton has done good service in Craven county all the year and he reports improvement in houses of worship and other advances in the work together with the opening of two hopeful Missions, Vanceboro and Chip. Bro. M. P. Davis has been in Greene county for three years and has evinced the wisdom of good workmen remaining long on a field. There are perhaps more visible results and brighter outlook from the work in Greene county than all the field besides.

There have been very few additions to our churches during the year. It is to be feared that the common zeal to make known our position and to break down the prejudice generally engendered against us may make us neglect too much the effort for the salvation of souls,

The building and fostering of Winterville High School is our greatest source of pride and encouragement. It is a permanent agency for extending all our work and deserves the immediate outlay of all the necessary money from our people, to clear it of debt and equip it to fill the highest possible sphere of usefulness. Already it is incomparable in preparation to any other secondary school in this section of the State and deserves the success it is achieving. There is a peculiar obligation on our Baptist people to give it their patronage and co-operation.

We recommend the immediate arrangement for paying the $50 (our quota) of the debt on Maysville Baptist Church, a question referred to us a year ago. We recommend increased effort of self support on the part of our home churches and enlarged appropriations from the State Board of Missions to hold the ground we already occupy and to widen the borders of our present work.

C. W. BLANCHARD,
For the Committee.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTER'S RELIEF.

Resolved 1. That we express our abiding interest in the claims of brethren of the Ministry who by age or providences over which they have no control of physical infirmities become disabled in their work, as also of the families of our deceased ministers who may appeal to our beneficence.

Resolved 2. That we will contribute of our means as God has prospered us to these worthy subjects.

J. K. FALKNER.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Report on State Missions form the basis of all our denominational enterprises. Here starts the stream that leads to successful issues all the objects of our Convention. To fail here means failure elsewhere. Success here means success along all lines of Mission endeavor.

THE MAN.

In Bro. Livingston Johnson, we have a pious, wise and efficient corresponding secretary as we have ever had.

THE FIELD.

Eastern, Middle and Western North Carolina comprise the Field. Evangelization is our chief work in the Eastern section. Here preachers and teachers are scarce, church organizations and houses few, membership small, and, for the most part, illiterate. We need more godly, energetic, and well-equipped preachers and teachers who know how to wield the "Sword of the Spirit" against false doctrine and the many isms that prevail here.

In the middle division the growth of towns and the springing up of new factories therein are causing thousands of people to leave the country to find employment. These must be met at the threshold by the Missionary with the open Bible prepared to organize them into New Testament Churches.

Development is the watchword of the Western part of our State. The people of our Mountain section are mostly Baptists. They have plenty churches, but have not been taught the grace of giving. Our Home Board is aiding in establishing Schools there. Thus the work of education is rapidly coming to the front.

WORKERS.

There are about one hundred Missionaries employed this year by our State Mission Board. We are doing work on a twenty-five thousand dollar basis. Five thousand more than last year. Our Convention meets about the first of December and we have as yet raised only about Eight Thousand Dollars. Let pastors and members bestir themselves and appeal to the God of Missions to lead us out of the present emergency.

Respectfully submittted,

J. B. NEWTON, Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The duty of the Christians to the heathens was clearly stated by our blessed Saviour when he gave the express command to teach all nations baptizing them in His name.

The Southern Baptist Convention has 102 Missionaries on Foreign Fields. Over 50 of these have been sent out in the last three years, and 21 of the number were sent out last year. There has been no spasmodic efforts but a steady increase in the amounts given each year, which is very gratifying.

We believe that every member of our Association should have the opportunity at least once a year, to hear of the needs in each field of our Mission work and be told just what we are doing and be shown what we might do.

G. E. LINEBERRY.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The number of children at the orphanage is 210. The health record of the Institution for the year ending June 30 was remarkable. The bill for the medicine and medical attendance being less than $100.

The Mills machine shop has been completed within the year and is now in operation; the Biggs building has been greatly enlarged and improved, and is by far the largest and handsomest dormitory on the ground.

The cost per capita per month for maintaining an orphan is $4.38.

Twenty-five thousand dollars have been expended in improvements within the past six years, the plant being worth at the present time more than $50,000.00.

More than 300 Sunday Schools are now giving a monthly collection to the Orphanage. We commend this plan to all our Schools. The work is constantly widening and as a consequence the expense of running the institution is increasing. We hope the churches will increase the pledges they have made to meet the enlarged demands.

The clamor from needy children all over the State grows louder all the time. Another building is greatly needed. It will be built in the near future, and from thirty to forty others will be admitted. Let us press the work in all our churches.

Respectfully submitted,

M. P. DAVIS, Chairman.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The State Boards of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Indian Territory, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma Territory, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia are in co-operation with us in part or the whole of their work.

Statistics for the Year:

Missionaries	671
Churches and Stations	2,168
Baptisms	5,696
Received by Letter	6,255
Total additions	11,951
Houses of Worship built	71
Sunday Schools organized	639
Teachers and pupils	24,675

Western Cuba is embraced in the territory of this Board, and the last official report records 134 baptisms on the island by Southern Missionaries. The Old North State owes a special debt of gratitude to this Board.

"In all its history our Home Board has been generous to North Carolina. For, besides what has been done in many of our rural districts, the Board has aided our churches in Raleigh, Edenton, New Bern, Goldsboro, Charlotte, Greensboro, Salisbury, Chapel Hill, Warrenton, Waynesville, Hendersonville, Murphy, Bryson City, Tarboro, Newton, Concord, Elizabeth City, and other important places. Surely our Baptist people will rally warmly to the support of this Board, which has done such noble work for North Carolina."

"The greatest and most urgent of all needs is the need of some more effective plan for "eliciting, combining and directing the energies of the whole denomination in one sacred effort for the propagation of the gospel." After fifty years, not half of the churches have been reached; nine-tenths of the membership give nothing. Until this problem is solved, our denomination will continue simply to play at missions, and our God-given Baptist church polity will be discounted among men for its inefficiency."

C. A. JENKINS.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Judge W. T. Faircloth, a man of great natural endowments and solid worth to our denomination has departed this life during the last Associational year.

Sisters Mollie Moore of Castoria, Sudie Edwards and Aedleburg of Snow Hill, women faithful and true have also been called to their reward.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. NEWTON,
E. F. COX,
R. H. LEWIS,
Committee.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Amount received for Maysville church	$ 1 25
Amount received for Ministerial Relief Board	19 20
Amount received for Orphanage	28 64
Special Collection for Orphanage	13 06
Amount received for State Missions	104 46
Special Collection for State Missions	12 48
Amount Received for Home Missions	13 50
Amount Received for Foreign Missions	25 65
Amount Received for Education	24 50
Amount Received for Minute Fund	21 45
Special Collection for Minute Fund	5 70
Special Collection for Winterville High School	31 55
	$301 44
By amount paid to Treasurer A. G. Cox	$301 44

J. A. PRIDGEN,
For Finance Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

A. G. Cox, Treasurer, in account with Neuse Baptist Association:

Receipts:

From J. A. Pridgen, Chairman Finance Committee	$ 301 44

Disbursements:

To A. Johnson, for Orphanage	$ 41 72
To Winterville High School	31 55
To L. Johnson, for Missions	201 02
To J. J. Rogers, Minute Fund	27 15
	$ 301 44

Respectfully,
A. G. COX, Treasurer.

FINANCIAL RECAPITULATION.

PAID BY	Expenses.	Contributed to All Objects.	Totals.
Churches	$4,361 78	$1,090 64	$5,452 42
Sunday Schools	267 47	204 82	472 29
Woman's Missionary Societies		330 35	330 35
Ladies Aid Societies		563 20	563 20
Young Ladies Aid Societies		20 50	20 50
Baptist Young Peoples Union	3 25	27 89	31 14
Junior Baptist Young People's Union		8 15	8 15
Association collections	5 70	25 54	31 24
Totals	$4,538 20	$2,271 04	$6,909 29

REPORT ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

CHURCHES.	Pledged for 1902.	Pledged for 1901.	Contributed.	Below Pledge.	Above Pledge.	Pastor's Salary	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Minute Fund.	Repairs on Churches.	Loss in Membership	Gain in memb'rshp
Antioch	$ 96 00	$ 88 00	$ 88 00	*	*	$ 150 00	$ 10 00	$ 25 00	$ 2 00	$		
Ayden	37 75	36 00	34 83	1 17	.....	75 00	6 14	.....	1 00	30 00	1	
Castoria	28 25	29 00	30 18	.....	1 18	100 00	2 00	.....	1 00	25 27	...	2
Cove	7 50	2 00	8 18	.....	6 18	.....	.....	.....	50	50 00		..
Dover	8 50	5 00	9 18	.....	4 18	25 00	11 00	.....	25	.....	2	..
Emmaus	6 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	...	..
Falling Creek	36 50	31 50	31 50	*	*	100 00	.....	.....	1 00	35 00	5	..
Fort Barnwell	25 25	22 00	26 60	.....	4 60	75 00	1 25	.....	1 00	186 00	...	..
Goldsboro—First	292 00	282 00	410 00	.....	128 00	900 00	175 55	52 22	4 00	50 00	...	15
Goldsboro—Second	21 00	14 50	14 75	.....	25	100 00	7 97	.....	1 00	.....	6	..
Kinston	337 50	325 00	969 65	.....	644 55	900 00	172 47	150 00	5 00	.....	...	3
LaGrange	63 00	56 00	56 00	*	*	200 00	10 00	.....	1 25	.....	5	..
Mt. Nelson	11 50	11 00	18 50	*	*	30 00	.....	.....	50	.....		
New Hope	34 00	33 00	14 44	.....	3 44	25 00	2 00	.....	60	.....	...	5
Pollocksville	37 00	31 50	33 00	*	*	75 00	3 00	.....	1 00	.....	2	..
Mt. Calvary	14 00	18 00	31 50	*	*	71 00	.....	.....	50	.....	1	..
Piny Grove	17 00	14 00	10 00	4 00	.....	70 00	.....	.....	56	.....	2	..
Seven Springs	16 75	14 50	14 50	*	*	60 00	.....	.....	50	.....	1	..
Snow Hill	13 00	9 50	13 87	.....	4 37	50 00	2 00	.....	85	2 00	...	8
Maysville	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	..
Spring Garden	20 00	19 00	18 45	55	.....	50 00	5 00	.....	25	.....	1	..
Trenton	11 00	10 00	4 50	5 50	.....	5 50	.....	.....	50	.....	2	..
Union	20 00	19 00	15 00	4 00	.....	50 00	25 00	.....	55	40 00	...	2
Total	$1158 00	$1171 00	$ 1853 73	$ 16 22	$ 796 86	$ 3090 50	$ 434 38	$ 227 22	$ 24 06	$ 418 27	291	42

From the above we see that seven churches contributed the same they pledged, and five churches fell below their pledges to the amount of $16.22; nine churches excelled their pledges by $796.86. This makes a total increase for the twenty-two churches over their pledges of $780.64.

We also see that three churches neither gained nor lost in membership during the year; and that eleven churches met a total loss of 29; and that seven met a total gain of 42, making a total increase in membership for the twenty-two churches of 13 during the past year. The total membership of the twenty-two churches comprising the Neuse Association is 1,385. *Even amount pledged.

J. B. JACKSON.

CONSTITUTION

of the

NEUSE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association shall be known as the Neuse Baptist Association.
2. Its object shall be to extend the privileges of the gospel and liberal culture to all the people within its bounds, and by hearty co-operation with the Baptist State Convention, to help offer these privileges to all mankind in and out of the bounds, by the cordial co-operation of all the churches constituting this body.
3. It shall be composed of the pastors in active service in the Association and such delegates as shall be annually elected by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates unless the membership shall exceed fifty, and then an additional delegate for every twenty-five members, provided, no church shall have more than eight delegates, female representatives exercising the privileges that would be granted them at the business meetings of their churches.
4. The "New Hampshire Declaration of Faith" shall be the summary of Divine Truth for determining questions of faith and order in this body, and the churches desiring membership in it must commit themselves to the substance of it, together with the Covenant therewith submitted and this Constitution.
5. This Association shall not have power to annul the discipline or exercise authority over any church connected with it, but it may advise with, and sever its connection with any church that neglects to preserve gospel order, or that treats with contempt the objects or advice of the Association.
6. Each church shall send to the annual meetings of the Association a letter (the blanks to be furnished by the Clerk of the Association) carefully filled as per blank suggestions, stating the full work of the church for the year ending with the close of the month previous to the one in which the Association is held.
7. The Association shall foster State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, the Aged Minister's Relief Board, the Thomasville Orphanage, and the Sunday-School Board, and each church shall be requested to contribute to the support of these objects annually.
8. Missions and Education shall have precedence in their claims upon the consideration of this body in its regular sessions.
9. Whenever a church shall fail to be represented by delegates or letter at the annual sessions of the Association, or shall fail to contribute to the objects fostered by the Association, inquiry shall be made for the cause, efforts shall be made to induce such a church to do its duty, and the effort shall be continued till the church is recovered or dropped from the roll.
10. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Historian, and a Treasurer, elected annually by ballot, from among its members, to serve until their successors shall have been elected and to perform the duties usual to such officers, namely, the Moderator in presiding, or Vice-Moderator in his absence, over the meetings, the Clerk in recording and preserving minutes and other papers belonging to the body, the Treasurer in receiving and disbursing funds belonging to or entrusted to the body according to its will, the Historian in keeping a continuous record of the work and progress of the entire Association and making an annual report of same to each of its sessions.
11. The Association shall appoint annually an Executive Committee of three (3) from its members, who shall be intrusted with the prosecution of missions in the Association, and any other work for the interest of the Master's Kingdom which may be referred to them. This Committee shall, as far as possible, co-operate with the State Mission Board in supplying the

destitution in our territory, and between the meetings of the Association take such action as may seem to them advisable for the advancement of its interests. The Committee shall present to the Association at its annual meeting a report of all its proceedings, with the names of the Missionaries supported on the field, time of service, and detail of their work, together with such recommendations as in the judgment of the Committee the Association should follow in planning its subsequent work.

12. The annual sessions of the Association shall begin on Tuesday after the third Lord's day in October at such place as may be chosen, and an introductory sermon shall be delivered on the first day of the session. Representatives from a majority of the churches constituting the Association shall be a quorum.

13. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

14. Provisions shall be made at each annual Association for a Session of the Woman's Central Committee and all other necessary encouragement offered for the enlargement of the organized work of the Woman's Missionary Societies in the local churches. The proceedings of the Woman's Central Committee shall be recorded as a part of the minutes of the Association.

BY-LAWS.

1. The daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Delegates shall be recognized by letters from their churches designating them as such.

3. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or the delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand.

4. The report of the Executive Board and the Missionary work of the Association, shall take precedence of all other business during the morning session of the second day of the annual session.

5. The Clerk shall record and read the proceedings when called for, superintend the publication and distribution of the Minutes, preserve a file of them, and have it present at each annual session, and deliver to his successor all papers belonging to the body.

6. Members desiring to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "brother" in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe the courtesy that becomes Christians.

7. Members shall not absent themselves from the session without permission.

8. The roll of members shall be called at least once and absentees marked.

9. Corresponding messengers and visiting brethren shall be invited to seats, with privilege of speaking but not of voting.

10. A copy of the Minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board; the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention; the American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia; the Sunday-School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Thomasville Orphanage.

11. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by Kerfoot's Parliamentary Law.

PLEDGES FOR 1902.

CHURCHES.	Minister's Relief.	Orphanage.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Maysville Church	Totals
Antioch	$ 5 00	$ 15 00	$ 50 00	$ 5 00	$ 5 00	$10 00	$ 6 00	$ 96 00
Ayden	2 50	5 00	20 00	2 00	4 00	3 00	1 25	37 75
Castoria	2 00	5 00	10 00	2 50	5 00	2 50	1 25	28 25
Cove	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	50	7 50
Dover	1 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	50	8 50
Emmaus	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	50	6 50
Falling Creek	2 00	7 00	15 00	2 00	5 00	2 50	3 00	36 50
Fort Barnwell	2 50	5 00	7 50	2 00	5 00	2 00	1 25	25 25
Goldsboro, First Church	12 00	75 00	110 00	25 00	35 00	25 00	10 00	292 00
Goldsboro, Second Church	2 00	5 00	6 00	1 00	2 50	2 00	2 50	21 00
Kinston	10 00	75 00	125 00	50 00	50 00	15 00	12 50	337 50
LaGrange	10 00	22 50	15 00	6 00	7 50	.....	2 00	63 00
Maysville	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	4 00
Mount Calvary	1 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	2 50	1 00	50	14 00
Mount Nelson	1 00	2 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	50	11 50
New Hope	2 00	5 00	18 00	3 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	34 00
Pollocksville	1 50	3 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	5 50	37 00
Piney Grove	1 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	17 00
Seven Springs	1 00	3 00	6 00	1 00	2 50	2 00	1 25	16 75
Snow Hill	1 00	2 00	5 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	50	13 00
Spring Garden	2 00	2 00	10 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	20 00
Trenton	1 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	11 00
Union	3 00	2 00	7 50	2 00	2 50	2 00	1 00	20 00
Totals	$ 66 50	$242 50	$445 00	$120 00	$147 50	$81 00	$55 50	$1158 00

CHURCHES AND PASTORS.	CLERKS AND ADDRESSES.	Preaching Sabbath.	Baptisms.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by L.	Excluded.	Died.	Value of Church Property.	Seating capacity of Church.	Number of Males.	Number of Females.	Total Membership.
Antioch—J. K. Falkner.....	W. T. Wyatt, Winterville....	1st and 3rd	..	6	2	3	3	2	$ 700	400	33	35	68
Ayden—J. K. Falkner.....	C. L. Tyson, Ayden.....	2nd	1	...	...	1	...	1	500	250	10	21	31
Castoria—M. P. Davis.....	J W. Carr, Castoria.....	3rd	5	...	...	...	2	1	400	150	13	25	38
Cove—J. B. Newton.....	J. N. Charlton, Cove.....	4th	...	...	...	...	...	..	400	200	5	12	17
Dover—J. B. Newton.....	.....	2nd	...	...	...	1	1	..	.....	....	6	5	11
Emmaus—J. B. Jackson.....	J. C. Edwards, Dudley.....	2nd	...	...	...	...	...	..	450	400	7	20	27
Falling Creek—L. R. Carroll..	T. J. Hood, Grantham.....	2nd	...	...	...	2	...	1	600	200	33	45	78
Fort Barnwell—J. B. Newton..	J. W. Lane, Fort Barnwell..	3rd	...	5	...	...	...	..	.....	....	22	23	45
Goldsboro, First—C. A. Jenkens	J. M. Hollowell, Goldsboro..	Every	4	26	...	8	2	5	9,000	650	144	189	333
Goldsboro, Sec.—J. B. Jackson	J. W. Sadler, Goldsboro.....	1st and 3rd	...	3	1	9	...	1	750	200	23	51	74
Kinston—C. W. Blanchard....	Richard H. Lewis, Kinston..	Every	16	17	4	15	15	2	17,500	800	71	163	234
LaGrange—J. S. Bookhart....	W. H. Burke, LaGrange.....	4th	...	2	...	5	2	1	2,000	500	18	43	61
Maysville—S. E. Garner.....	W. B. Smith, Maysville....	....	...	...	...	...	...	..	.....	....	6	11	17
Mt. Calvary—L. R. Carrol..	R. A. Parker, Goldsboro....	3rd	...	...	...	...	...	..	150	200	10	10	20
Mt. Nelson—M. P. Davis.....	Alice Strother, Eureka.....	1st	5	1	...	1	...	..	500	300	5	16	21
New Hope—J. S. Bookhart....	W. E. Sutton, Kinston.....	3rd	...	...	...	...	1	1	400	250	22	38	60
Pollocksville—S. E. Garner...	T. A. Bell, Pollocksville.....	4th	...	2	...	3	...	..	.....	....	18	29	47
Piney Grove—S. E. Garner....	A. D. Kellum, Olivers.....	... .	...	...	...	1	...	1	500	300	28	45	73
Seven Springs—J. B. Jackson..	S. D. Byrd, Seven Springs..	4th	1	...	...	...	2	..	500	150	16	20	36
Snow Hill—M. P. Davis.....	T. D. Hackney, Bull Head...	2nd	10	2	...	1	1	2	500	250	11	21	32
Spring Garden—J. B. Newton..	Mrs. M. W. Carmon.....	1st	...	1	...	2	...	..	200	200	3	8	11
Trenton—S. E. Garner.....	C. C. Perry, Trenton.....	1st	...	...	...	1	...	1	.....	....	7	13	20
Union—J. S. Bookhart.....	W. W. Rouse, Strabane.	1st	3	...	...	...	...	2	500	250	14	24	38
	Totals.....	.. ..	45	65	7	52	29	21	$ 35,550	5650	525	867	1392

SCHOOLS.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	No. of Lesson Helps taken.	Contributions. School Expenses.	Contributions. Orphanage.	Contributions. Other objects.	Contributions. Total Contributions.	Copies Charity and Children taken.
Antioch	A. G. Cox, Winterville	8	125	100	125	$ 40 00	$.....	$.....	$ 40 00	19
Ayden	W. C. Jackson, Ayden	6	100	50	100	14 00	6 00	.....	20 00	10
*Castoria	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Cove	Thomas B. Ipock, Cove	3	21	15	40	5 00	.....	.....	5 00	....
*Dover	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Emmaus	J. W. Sadler, Goldsboro	8	40	25	50	2 50	.....	.....	2 50	....
Falling Creek	J. B. Grantham, Grantham	4	75	45	73	7 00	.....	.....	7 00	....
Fort Barnwell	M. D. Lane, Fort Barnwell	6	70	....	42	5 52	.....	.....	5 52	....
Goldsboro, 1st	H. B. Parker, Goldsboro	22	208	171	250	48 00	39 43	74 50	161 93	40
Goldsboro, 2nd	J. J. Robinson, Goldsboro	10	75	55	520	31 30	.....	1 00	32 30	....
Kinston	Joseph J. Rogers, Kinston	16	200	125	280	50 00	65 05	14 94	129 99	100
LaGrange	J. E. Debnam, LaGrange	5	61	30	42	14 25	.....	.....	14 25	25
Maysville	J. E. M. Cutchin, Maysville	6	40	....	64	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Mt. Calvary	R. A. Parker, Goldsboro	4	30	24	36	7 00	.....	.....	7 00	....
Mt. Nelson	S. S. Strother, Eureka	4	40	30	50	2 00	.....	.....	2 00	....
New Hope	W. E. Sutton, Kinston	6	50	40	70	6 00	.....	.....	6 00	....
Pollocksville	T. A. Bell, Pollocksville	5	38	27	36	14 40	.....	.....	14 40	20
Piney Grove	A. D. Kellum, Olivers	6	52	30	48	7 50	1 90	.....	9 40	....
Seven Springs	G. G. Quinn, Seven Springs	4	34	19	22	3 00	.....	.....	3 00	....
*Snow Hill	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Spring Garden	H. W. Dixon, Lima	3	22	15	25	8 00	.....	.....	8 00	....
Trenton	C. C. Perry, Trenton	2	8	6	12	2 00	.....	.....	2 00	....
Union	T. E. Elmore, Strabane	11	46	28	....	.....	2 00	.....	2 00	....
		139	1335	835	1885	$ 267 47	$ 114 38	$90 44	$ 472 29	214

* No School reported.

Woman's Missionary Society—Statistics.

CHURCHES.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT.	Members.	CONTRIBUTIONS.							
			Foreign Missions.	Home Missions	State Missions.	Sunday Schools.	Minister's Relief.	Education—Winterville High School.	Maysville Church.	Totals.
Goldsboro, 1st.	Mrs S. D Pettiway, Goldsboro, N. C ,....	..	20 45	73 15	12 75	....	....	.....	....	106
Kinston,.....	Mrs. R. H Lewis, Kinston, N. C.,. ..	30	32 25	71 25	51 40	3 00	5 00	40 00	...	202
Pollocksville,..	.....	.	3 00	4 60	8 00	...	...	.....	5 50	21
Total....	.....	..	55 70	149 00	72 15	3 00	5 00	40 00	5 50	330

Ladies Aid Society—Statistics.

CHURCHES.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT.	Members.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Young Ladies Aid Society.		Totals.
					Winterville High School.	State Missions.	
Goldsboro, 1st.	Mrs. W. G. Britt, Goldsboro..	.	$26 18	$ 101 82	.. ....	.....	$ 128
Kinston,.....	Mrs. E. F. Cox, Kinston,....	41	35 00	400 20	$20 00	50	455
Total	....	..	$61 18	$ 502 02	$20 00	50	$ 583

Baptist Young Peoples Union—Statistics.

CHURCH.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT.	CONTRIBUTIONS.					
		On New Church.	State Missions.	Expense Account.	B. Y. P U. Jr.		Totals.
					Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	
Kinston.....	J. H. Canaday	$22 00	$ 5 89	$ 3 25	$ 3 15	$ 5 00	$39

Table Showing Amount Contributed for all Purposes During Associational Year.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Minute Fund.	Repairs.	Other Objects.	Total Church Expenses.	State Missions.	Associational Missions	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Colportage.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Minister's Relief.	Houses of Worship.	Total Contributions.
Antioch	$ 150 00	$10 00	$25 00	$ 2 00	.....	.....	$ 187 00	$50 00	....	$ 3 00	$ 5 00	$ 0 00	....	$...	$15 00	$ 5 00	.....	$ 88 00
Ayden	75 00	6 14	.....	1 00	30 00	$45 00	157 14	21 58	....	1 50	4 00	53 00	....	....	5 00	2 50	2 25	89 83
Castoria	100 00	2 00	.....	1 00	25 27	2 00	130 27	10 93	....	2 60	5 15	2 50	....	....	5 00	4 00	.....	30 18
Cove	25 00	.....	.....	50	50 00	.....	75 50	2 68	....	1 00	1 00	1 00	....	....	2 50	.....	.....	8 18
Dover	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	11 00	11 25	3 95	....	1 50	1 50	1 23	....	....	1 00	.....	.....	9 18
Emmaus	15 00	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	15 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Falling Creek	100 00	.....	.....	1 00	35 00	.....	136 00	15 00	....	2 00	5 00	2 50	....	....	5 00	2 00	35 00	66 50
Fort Barnwell	75 00	1 20	.....	1 00	186 00	56 40	319 0	7 50	....	4 00	5 00	2 00	....	....	5 60	2 50	.....	26 60
Goldsboro—First	900 00	175 55	52 22	4 00	50 00	54 00	1235 77	110 00	....	25 00	35 00	25 00	....	....	75 00	12 00	.....	282 00
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Foreign Missions.....G. N. Cowan.
State Missions.....C. A. Jenkens
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Temperance.....Rudolph Croom.
Aged Minister's Relief.....G. E. Lineberry
Sunday Schools.....J. B. Newton
Church Building in Neuse Association..Executive Committee of Association.

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B. Newton.....Fort Barnwell, N. C.

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Castoria—W. H. Vick, L. L. Slater.
Cove—J. B. Newton.
Dover—J. B. Newton.
Emmaus—J. B. Jackson.
Falling Creek—J. B. Grantham, H. B. Blackman.
Fort Barnwell—J. B. Newton.
Goldsboro, First Church—C. A. Jenkens, Mrs. J. B. Jackson, J. E. Peterson, H. T. Jones, Mrs. H. T. Jones, Mrs. H. L. Grant, Mrs. S. D. Petteway, Miss Ella Bass, W. G. Britt.
Goldsboro, Second Church—J. B. Jackson, Mrs. R. J. Hardison, Miss Naomi Prince.
Kinston—G. N. Cowan, J. J. Rogers, Mrs. E. J. Britt.
LaGrange—J. H. Rich.
Maysville—S. E. Garner.
Mount Calvary—John R. Parker, G. H. Parker, G. W. Parker.
Mount Nelson—M. E. Britt, Miss Olivia Britt, Mrs. Ora Barnes.
New Hope—W. L. Bilbro.
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Union—T. E. Elmore, L. P. Jones.
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*Fremont—Miss Didie Davis, C. C. Teague, G. E. Davis.
*Sandy Bottom—Rudolph Croom.

*Admitted during session.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Executive Committee having changed the hour of meeting from 11 o'clock, a. m., to 7:30 p. m., at this hour the fourth annual session of the Neuse Baptist Association convened with Falling Creek church, Grantham, N. C., Tuesday, October 21st, 1902.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. C. A. Jenkens, who delivered a splendid and stirring Temperance lecture, endorsing the Anti-Saloon League.

Moderator, C. W. Blanchard, called the Association to order and appointed C. C. Teague and G. E. Lineberry committee on enrollment. They reported forty-two messengers and seven visitors present.

The regular order of business being the election of officers for the Associational year, on motion of J. B. Jackson, the rules were suspended, allowing a vote by acclamation. Election resulted as follows:

Moderator—C. W. Blanchard.
Vice-Moderator—C. C. Teague.
Clerk—Joseph J. Rogers.
Treasurer—A. G. Cox.
Historian—C. A. Jenkens.

The Moderator extended a hearty welcome to the following visitors: Rev. S. F. Conrad, representing the North Carolina Baptist; Rev. C. E. Edwards, from Tar River Association; Rev. Livingston Johnson, Cor. Sec. Baptist State Convention; Rev. J. S. Farmer, representing the Biblical Recorder; Rev. J. W. Rose, from Tar River Association, Rev. W. F. Fry, representing Baptist Female University.

C. A. Jenkens, T. J. Hood and J. B. Carroll are appointed a committee on Order of Business and made the following partial report: Assemble to-morrow a. m. at 9:30 with devotional exercises.

9:50—Miscellaneous Business.
10:00—General Education.
10:30—State Missions.
11:30—Report of Executive Committee and Missionaries.
12:30—Adjourn.

On motion, the Association adjourns. Benediction by G. N. Cowan.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Association met at 9:30 o'clock with vice-Moderator Teague in the chair. Devotional Exercises conducted by Rev. C. E. Edwards.

Minutes of last session read and approved.

The following changes in the Standing Committees are named: Orphanage—G. N. Cowan, Temperance—W. L. Bilbro, Aged Ministers' Relief—S. E. Garner.

Visitors welcomed: Bro Arch. Johnson of Charity and Children at Thomasville Orphanage, Rev. J. T. Albritton from the Eastern Association.

Special hour for the discussion of General Education having arrived, Rev. W. F. Fry, representing the Baptist Female University, is recognized and spoke for thirty minutes earnestly urging the needs of this great institution. Cash collection is taken amounting to $7.25.

Moderator Blanchard announces the following committees:

Enrollment—C. C. Teague, G. E. Lineberry.
Order of Business—C. A. Jenkens, T. J. Hood, J. B. Carroll.
Finance Committee—C. C. Teague, Lewis Jones, W. H. Vick.
Petitionary Letters—G. N. Cowan, C. A. Jenkens, S. E. Garner.
Digest of Church Letters—J. B. Jackson, W. B. Wingate, H. M. Tally.
To nominate Delegates to State Convention and Southern Convention—T. D. Hackney, J. H. Rich, A. H. Joyner.
To nominate a Member of State Board of Missions—A. G. Cox, R. E. Edmundson, John R. Parker.
To nominate members to fill vacancies on Board of Trustees Winterville High School—M. P. Davis, J. E. Peterson, J. B. Grantham.
To Nominate Executive Committee—J. B. Carroll, T. E. Elmore, G. W. Parker.
Committee on Obituaries—C. A. Jenkens, J. B. Jackson, Louis King.
Place and Preacher for next session—W. L. Bilbro, M. E. Britt, Rudolph Croom.

Hour for the discussion of State Missions having arrived, M. P. Davis reads report on State Missions and C. A. Jenkens report of Executive Committee and both reports are considered together. These reports are discussed by M. P. Davis followed by Corresponding Secretary Livingston Johnson.

Time of adjournment for dinner is extended one hour. The following missionaries on the field are heard from: M. P. Davis, G. E. Garner, J. B. Newton, J. B. Jackson all made favorable and encouraging reports. Both reports are unanimously adopted. Committee on Petitionary Letters report the following churches asking admission into this Association: Fremont, Davis Grove and Sandy Bottom and recommend that they be received, which is unani-

nously done and the messengers welcomed. Committee on Order of Business make the following completed report :

2 p. m. to 3 p. m.—Be given to Woman's Missionary Society.
3—Sunday Schools.
3:30—Periodicals.
4—Adjournment.
7:30—Ministerial Education, Winterville High School, Orphanage.

THURSDAY, OCT. 23rd.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.
9:50 a. m.—Miscellaneous Business.
10:30 a. m.—Foreign Missions.
11:30 a. m.—Report on General Missions.
2:00 p. m.—Temperance.
2:30 p. m.—Home Missions.
3:15 p. m.—Minister's Relief.

C. A. JENKENS, For Committee.

On motion, Association adjourns. Benediction by Rev. S. F. Conrad.

SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met at 3 o'clock. Devotional exercises were conducted by C. W. Blanchard.

Report on Sunday Schools is read and discussed by J. J. Rogers and Livingston Johnson. Report adopted.

Committee to nominate an Executive Committee made the following report which is unanimously adopted :

We, the Committee appointed to nominate Executive Committee, do most heartily recommend brethren C. A. Jenkens, Chairman, G. N. Cowan, A. G. Cox.

T. E. ELMORE,
J. B. CARROLL,
G. W. PARKER,
Committee.

By request of C. A. Jenkens and on motion of M. P. Davis, G. N. Cowan is made chairman in place of C. A. Jenkens.

Report on Periodicals is read by C. A. Jenkens and discussed by him, Rev. J. S. Farmer, Rev. F. S. Conrad and Bro. Arch. Johnson. Report adopted.

Rev. J. N. Tolar of the Eastern Association is recognized and welcomed by the Moderator.

The following report is read and adopted :

Your Committee to nominate Trustees for the Winterville High School to fill vacancies beg leave to report that we find only one vancancy, that

of M. P. Davis. We recommend that Rev. G. N. Cowan be appointed in Bro. Davis' place. Respectfully submitted,

M. P. DAVIS,
J. E. PETERSON,
D. B. GRANTHAM.

Association adjourns. Benediction by Rev. J. T. Albritton.

SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION.

The Association met at 7:30, with Moderator Blanchard in the chair. Song service and prayer by Rev. J. N. Tolar.

The regular hour having arrived for the consideration of Education, including Winterville High School, the report on Education was called for. G. E. Lineberry having this report in charge and being absent, C. A. Jenkens reads the Trustees' report of Winterville High School. G. E. Lineberry submits the report on Education and these two reports are considered together and discussed by G. E. Lineberry, C. A. Jenkens, G. N. Cowan, A. G. Cox and C. W. Blanchard. Report is unanimously adopted, together with the resolution attached.

Roll of churches is called and pledges taken amounting to $111.00.

Report on the Orphanage is read by G. N. Cowan and is discussed by G. N. Cowan and Bro. Archibald Johnson. Cash collection for the Orphanage is taken amounting to $6.25.

Pledges for 1903 is taken amounting to $253.50. Report adopted.

On motion, Association adjourned. Song: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

THIRD DAY—THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Association met at 9:30 o'clock with vice-Moderator Teague in the chair. Devotional exercises conducted by Bro. Archibald Johnson.

On motion of M. P. Davis the reading of the minutes is dispensed with and the following report is submitted and adopted.

We your Committee on nomination of delegates to Southern Baptist and State Baptist Conventions beg leave to report as follows: We nominate to Southern Baptist Convention G. N. Cowan delegate, J. J. Rogers alternate. To State Baptist Convention C. A. Jenkens, T. J. Hood and C. C. Teague delegates, A. G. Cox, J. B. Newton and J. H. Rich alternates.

Respectfully submitted,
T. D. HACKNEY, for Committee.

Report on Foreign Missions is submitted by J. B. Newton, who is recognized and discussed the subject. This subject is also discussed by Rev. J. T. Albritton. C. A. Jenkens reads a very interesting letter from Miss Fannie E. L. Heck, President Womans' Central Committee of Missions, showing that there are now some five hundred Woman's Missionary Societies among the Baptist Churches of North Carolina, which gave last year $9,710.84 to Home, State and Foreign Missions. The following report is read which, together with the Report on Foreign Missions, is adopted.

The roll of churches was called and pledges for Foreign Missions taken amounting to $167.50.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES OF NEUSE ASSOCIATION FOR THE THREE QUARTERS PRECEDING THE ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING.

Dear Brethren—At the request of Miss Heck, President of State Central Committee, I submit the following report, which, though doubtless not entirely accurate for the reasons that some Societies do not report in full the work which they are doing, yet this approximates and is the amount reported to me and has been forwarded to the Treasurer at Raleigh. Contributed for State, Home and Foreign Missions, $200.84. Only about eight societies report regularly to these objects. It is our desire that this number be increased until each church represented in this Association shall have a live, working Woman's Missionary Society, and we earnestly ask the cooperation of each pastor in organizing and encouraging this work in his special field of labor. The Vice-President by letters and distribution of literature endeavors to foster the work already begun and encourage the formation of new societies, and she will welcome most heartily any assistance or suggestions relative to the same, and will endeavor to visit in person (if notified by the pastor that such work is necessary) any field that promises to enlist in this much needed work for women.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. H. L. GRANT,
Vice-President Neuse Association.

General Missionary C. W. Blanchard submits the following report:

REPORT OF GENERAL MISSIONARY.

My work began nine months ago under the auspices of the State Mission Board. Three and one half months of my time has been given to work for Winterville High School and Atlantic Institute at Morehead City.

I have helped the Missionaries in evangelistic services during this time at New Bern Tabernacle, Dover, Davis Grove, Taylor's School House, Castoria, Mount Nelson, Fremont and Fort Barnwell. A successful meeting was also held with Winterville Church during this time, when by contract with the Board I was to give one fourth of my time in pastoral service.

I have aided in raising money for Church buildings at Davis Grove and Sandy Bottom, and an outstanding indebtedness in Castoria church. Have made needed improvements on Winterville church by building a Baptistry and two commodious class-rooms and two good coats of paint on the entire building.

Have received for my support $82 from Atlantic Institute and Tabernacle church at New Bern, $300 from Trustees of Winterville High School, $150 from Winterville church, $131.99 from other churches and friends of the work in Neuse Association, leaving a small balance, of my salary of $750, due from the State Mission Board.

About one hundred and fifty have professed faith in the meetings held, and the number of accessions to the churches will only be attainable from the church letters in this and the Atlantic Association. The work of this year has evinced the necessity of continuing this work if the Association can secure the services of a capable man. C. W. BLANCHARD,
General Missionary.

This report is discussed extensively by C. W. Blanchard, followed by G. W. Parker and A. G. Cox. Report is adopted and pledges taken for State Missions amounting to $555.00.

Committee on time, place and preacher for next session report that they are unable to decide as to place, there being urgent invitations from Eureka, Pollocksville and Mt. Nelson.

On motion of C. W. Blanchard a new committee is appointed. The chair appoints: A. G. Cox, C. A. Jenkens and C. W. Parker.

Moved by J. B. Jackson that, whereas, Bro. Roberson, a member of this church died last night and will be buried this afternoon at 3 o'clock,

Resolved, That we adjourn in respect to the memory of the deceased and attend the burial in a body.

Resolved, Also, that Home Missions and Aged Ministers' Relief be considered to-night.

On motion of C. W. Blanchard the Association adjourns to meet promptly at 2 o'clock. Benediction by G. W. Cowan.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met promptly at 2 o'clock. Song service. Prayer by S. E. Garner.

C. A. Jenkens reads the following report of Committee on Obituaries, which is adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

The church at Pollocksville has suffered a great loss in the death of Dr. J. E. Ward. He was an earnest worker. His consecration and persistent energy made him a source of great power in the Master's cause.
S. E. GARNER.

Our beloved brother, Amos M. Prince, a consistent member of Mt. Calvary church, and a member of the 2nd Baptist church of Goldsboro during the last years of his life, died last May in the 62nd year of his age after a brief illness, in the enjoyment of the good hope through grace, and trusting in the atoning blood and perfect righteousness of his Redeemer. In his death the church lost a loyal and devoted member; but in this loss, as in all things else it behooves us to say "Thy will be done." J. T. ALBRITTON.

W. L. Bilbro submits a report on Temperance and discusses the same. This report is also discussed by C. A. Jenkens and T. J. Hood. Resolution endorsing the Anti-Saloon League is offered by J. J. Rogers. Both report and resolution is adopted.

C. C. Teague makes the following report of Finance Committee, which is adopted.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

To amount received for education	$ 26.95
To amount received for Home Missions	24.57
To amount received for Foreign Missions	35.69
To amount received for State Missions	107.19
To amount received for Orphanage	29.18
To cash collection for Orphanage	6.25
To amount received for Ministerial Relief	16.67
To amount received for Minute Fund	32.90
To amount received for Maysville Church	12.25
To amount received for Sunday Schools	1.00
	$292.65
By amount paid to A. G. Cox, treasurer	$292.65

C. C. TEAGUE, for Committee.

A. G. Cox makes report as Treasurer as follows :

TREASURER'S REPORT OF NEUSE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, 1901—1902.

Receipts:

For Maysville church previous to Association	$ 20.75
For Orphanage—New Hope Union	5.78
From Woman's Missionary Society, Winterville	4.40
From Finance Committee at Association	$292.65
	$323.58

Disbursements:

To Maysville church	$ 20.75	
To Orphanage	5.78	
To Orphanage per A. Johnson	29.18	
To Orphanage (collection) per A. Johnson	6.25	$ 61.96
Balance on hand		$261.62

A. G. COX, Treasurer.

On motion of M. P. Davis it is ordered that the Treasurer pay over to the Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention all funds belonging to the respective objects thereof. Also to pay to the clerk the minute fund and that he retain $10.00 for his services and use the remainder in supplying minutes to the churches.

On motion, the Association adjourns until 7:30 to-night.

Benediction by C. A. Jenkens.

THIRD DAY—THURSDAY EVENING SESSION.

Association assembled at 7 : 30. Song service and prayer by M. P. Davis.

The committee on place and preacher for next session make the following report which is adopted.

We beg to report on place and preacher for next Association: Pollocksville Church, Pollocksville, N. C. Rev. G. N. Cowan to preach the Introductory sermon.

A. G. COX, for Committee.

The following report was then adopted :

We beg to recommend that C. W. Blanchard be appointed as a member of State Board of Missions. A. G. COX, for Committee.

Moved by G. E. Lineberry that C. A. Jenkens be constituted a committee of one to formulate and present to the pastors a system by which we may better collect our contributions to the different objects. Adopted.

J. B. Jackson reads and discusses report on Home Missions. M. P. Davis also speaks to the question. On motion, the report is adopted and pledges amounting to $133.50 is taken.

S. E. Garner reports on Aged Ministers Relief which is discussed by G. E. Lineberry and C. W. Blanchard, and pledges are taken amounting to $71.50.

Moderator reads list of Standing Committees.

The following resolution is offered and discussed by J. J. Rogers:

Whereas, during the past year some of our brethren organized what has been known as the Neuse Colportage Association for the sale of good books and literature and the distribution of tracts, &c. And whereas, we believe much good has already been done and that greater good may be done in this direction. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we earnestly endorse this work and urge our Executive Committee, if possible, to arrange for this work to be prosecuted and that our Pastors, Missionaries and Sunday School Superintendents be urged to co-operate in distributing these books and this literature.

Adopted.

J. B. Jackson makes report on Digest of Church Letters. See Reports.

Collection taken to supplement the minute fund amounts to $3.00.

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this Association be tendered to the members of Falling Creek church, and to their friends and members of the Methodist church at this place, for the splendid entertainment they have furnished us during our session.

Unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee be authorized to elect a General Missionary, if co-operation can be arranged with the Trustees of the Winterville High School.

Resolved, That we now take church and individual pledges for our several missionaries and that these pledges, when paid, be sent to the Treasurer of the Neuse Association.

This resolution is unanimously adopted and the following pledges taken :

Antioch, $40.00; Kinston, $25.00; J. B. Newton, $15.00; S. E. Garner, $10; M. P. Davis, $5.00; Falling Creek church $5.00; J. B. Jackson, $5.00; Mrs. O. L. Barnes, $2.00; Davis Grove, $1.00; Castoria, $1.00.

The Association adjourns. Benediction by C. A. Jenkens.

C. W. BLANCHARD,
MODERATOR.

JOSEPH J. ROGERS, CLERK.

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REPORTS.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union met at Falling Creek Baptist church on Wednesday, October 22, at 2 p. m. The attendance was large and evident interest manifested.

The meeting was conducted by the Vice-President of the W. M. U. and Miss Prince acted as Secretary. After singing "Come thou Fount," &c., a Bible reading was had considering the subject "How we should work" under the following heads. Faithfully, Lovingly, In the name of Jesus, To the glory of God, According to our ability, Doing all in our power, Using every opportunity.

This was followed by an earnest prayer for our work and workers, by Mrs. Hardison.

Miss Hecks' letter of greeting and loving interest in our Societies was read by Mrs. J. B. Jackson.

Next came the roll call of Societies and reading of reports. Kinston W. M. Society sent words of greeting and a fine report by their representative, Mrs. E. Britt.

Mrs. Hunsucker, of Winterville, was present with her report which was remarkable in one feature, viz: an average attendance of 19 out of a membership of 24.

Miss Joyner presented the report from Snow Hill Society. Mrs. J. B. Newton and Miss Bertha sent good reports of their Woman's and Sunbeam Societies. The Goldsboro First and Second Churches reported through Mrs. Grant and Mrs. Hardison.

Spring Garden and Pollocksville also sent reports.

The Home Department was explained and the "Foreign Mission Journal" recommended for missionary information. Subsequently, ten subscribers were easily secured through the efforts of a zealous worker.

There were short discussions upon "How to make Societies interesting." "How to get the women to attend," "Obstacles in the way of country organization," &c. Tender reference was made to our beloved brother Carey Newton, who with his family will shortly leave for his newly appointed field of labor in North China.

The hour having expired "God be with you till we meet again" was sung, and the closing prayer offered by Mrs. Petteway.

We had a pleasant and we trust a profitable hour. The large-hearted, hospitable church with which we met, has already appointed the time for the organization of a Woman's Missionary Society.

MRS. H. L. GRANT, Vice-Pres. W. M. U.
MISS NAOMI PRINCE, Secretary.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We are largely what our reading makes us. A people without books is barbaric; a people with bad books is corrupt; a people with good books is civilized. Much of the literature of the day is worthless, while much of it is positively bad. Many of the recent popular novels are demoralizing, and nearly all the secular magazines present low ideals of social life, encouraging the dance, the theatre, and the card table; and, withal, are belimed with nude pictures. The best remedy for such literature is not to take it; the next best, is to gladden your home with good, wholesome reading.

In the strong words of the last Convention report, we commend to our

people the organ of our denomination and Convention, the "Biblical Recorder." It is true and tried. It has been with us, and for us, through all our struggles and victories. It has been a mighty power in making us what we are. It has consolidated, unified, and directed our forces. It is progressive, and yet conservative. It is sweet in spirit and fearless in advocating right. It is sound in doctrine, strong with truth, and clothed with power."

We take pleasure also in commending the "North Carolina Baptist," which is without a peer in the great battle against the saloon.

The "Atlantic Messenger" is in a local sense our own; and if there is a brighter, better Associational paper in the State, we have not seen it. It should have a thousand new subscribers.

"Charity and Children" deserves the support of all that have charity or love children. Indeed it "has been dressed up in the latest style, and placed upon a chariot of power to send thousands of its healing leaves into our Sunday Schools and homes."

We commend our Sunday School literature published at Nashville, Tenn., by the Southern Sunday School Board; and also, the "Foreign Mission Journal," Richmond, Va., and the "Home Field," Atlanta, Ga.

C. A. JENKINS.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Some one has said, add together all the miseries that spring from war, famine, and pestilence, the three great scourges of mankind, and they don't exceed those that spring from intemperance. The testimony of judges and physicians, and all officials, who are in positions to know, say that intemperance is an evil that far eclipses every other calamity under which we labor.

It has blasted for time and eternity countless thousands of our noblest young men, broken the hearts of millions of women and children, and brought the gray hairs of parents with sorrow to the grave.

The notion that the drink habit is on the decline is false, for it is now the grand enemy of the morality, piety and prosperity of the American people, and seems to laugh to scorn all the efforts of reformers to put an end to it.

The 230,000 saloons with their 1,100,000 bar tenders, the $1,000,000,000 spent annually in the consumption of rum, and the $3,000,000,000 invested in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks presents a business that is deeply rooted in the commerce of the world, and it will require the united efforts of all Christian people, and temperance workers everywhere to uproot it.

What shall we, as Baptists, do in the fight?

Resolved, That Neuse Baptist Association in session assembled at Falling Creek Baptist Church on the 23rd day of October, 1902, does most heartily endorse the organization known as the Anti-Saloon League organized for the abolishment of the liquor saloons.

J. J. ROGERS.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

While more emphasis is being attached to the importance of the Sunday School work of to-day than ever before, we have not yet realized the extent of the power of this agency for carrying out one of God's greatest commands to Teach His Word. Looking into the past we find that Church that has failed to espouse the Cause of Missions has died. Looking to the future we believe that just so sure will that church die that fails to foster the

Sunday School by giving to it improved methods, better teachers and greater financial support. That we may grasp this great opportunity we urge our Sunday School workers to avail themselves of every opportunity to attend Sunday School Conventions and Associations. We especially recommend to every Sunday School worker the "Normal Studies for Sunday School Workers" gotten out and for sale by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn. This work is under the supervision of Field Secretary Rev. B. W. Spilman and Vol. I was prepared by him and sells for 25c for single copy or 15c each by the dozen. Vol. II is by Rev. Hight C. Moore not unknown to the Sunday School workers of this Association and sells for 30c single copy or 22c each by the dozen. These studies are designed to help the Sunday School worker to better do the work he or she undertakes.

It may be studied by individuals, but we recommend that classes be formed in every Sunday School, and these books secured and used as text books. When they are completed and examination successfully passed a certificate of graduation will be issued to each member.

Respectfully submitted,
J. J. ROGERS, for Committee.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We note with pleasure the great educational awakening in our State. Parents should study earnestly to know what is best to do for their children. We are glad to see that all over our State the Baptist people are realizing that to make the noblest and most useful Christian men and women they must give their children a good, thorough education under Christian influence.

We can not over estimate the great good Wake Forest has done in educating our boys. To-day it has better equipments than ever before and is offering advantages unsurpassed in the State.

The Baptists of the State have been slow to realize the need of a good high-grade college for girls, but at last they have realized that those who are to make the homes are destined to influence, more than all others, the plastic minds of our children and shape the future destiny of our State. The Baptist Female University has been built to meet this need and is nobly doing its work.

For buildings and equipments and thorough training under good christians our Association school at Winterville has no superior among secondary schools.

We rejoice at its success and hope it will continue to receive your liberal patronage.

While we do not believe in requiring an educational qualification to enter the ministry, yet we realize the great need of their being educated to properly instruct our people and teach them the way of life. For this purpose we earnestly recommend that our churches increase their contributions to ministerial education.

G. E. LINEBERRY, Committee.

RESOLUTIONS.

Believing the time has come when God will raise up men, native to the soil of Eastern North Carolina, to preach the Gospel, as we believe it, to their own people and that such men will need a better education, than they can get in the public schools, to grapple with the many false doctrines and isms native to their soil. Therefore, be it

Resolved 1, That the pastor of Antioch Church, the Executive Committee, and male teachers of Winterville High School be constituted a Board of Education of the Neuse Association.

Resolved 2, That this Board shall meet before January 1, 1903, and elect one of their members Chairman and one Secretary, and define the duties of each, as said Board may deem best.

Resolved 3, That the churches of the Neuse Association be requested to send all contributions for Ministerial Education to the Treasurer of the Neuse Association.

Resolved 4, That said Board of Education shall examine all promising and indigent young ministers, reared within the bounds of the Neuse Association and recommended by their churches, upon their conversion, call to the ministry, and doctrine (faith), and such as said Board deem worthy of aid, to adopt as beneficiary of said Board, while attending Winterville High School.

Resolved 5, That said Board shall draw on the Treasurer of the Neuse Association for all or any portion of the Ministerial Educational fund that the Churches have sent in, as may be needed.

Resolved 6, That, if at the end of the school year there be any residue in the Treasury, it shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention to be used in aiding indigent young ministers at Wake Forest College.

Resolved 7, That said Board shall have authority to raise the amount for each beneficiary and to make all regulations necessary for the working of said Board.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF WINTERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL.

Since our meeting one year ago, your School has made steady progress along all lines. It has won consideration from the entire population of our Association's territory. We have a strong and adequate faculty, with greatly increased attendance. The enrollment a year ago at this time was about one hundred, now it is one hundred and fifty--one. The total enrollment of last session was 214 and the present prospect is good for at least 275 for this year. The management of the school is highly satisfactory to the Trustees and the faculty has our hearty commendation. One and a half acres of land has been added to the school grounds and a new and commodious dormitory provided for the male boarders. Other improvements have been made on the grounds together with the above amounting to about $1,900. The financial outlook is satisfactory except the indebtedness of the school for buildings and equipment. We believe that the Baptists of this Association should make haste to arrange for this debt and thereby assure the larger usefulness of the Institution. We most heartily commend the services of General Missionary Blanchard, in connection with the Institution during the past year, and recommend that the Association co-operate with this Board in securing his services for another year for all or part of the time.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The greatest and most needy mission field in the State is found in Eastern North Carolina, and is embraced in the section of our State south of the Roanoke river and east of the Wilmington and Weldon railroad. This section has long been neglected by the Baptists. Our fathers having been driven from this section for no other "crime" than preaching the gospel, they halted in the Piedmont and Western Carolina, and by the grace of God took these sections for Christ and the Baptists,. The signs of the times seem to say that God's own time has come and he is now ready to reward our fathers

for their sufferings and give unto us this rich and productive country for Christ and His glory. Must we remain idle and see the harvest time pass and the grain fall and be lost? Some of the most noble hearts in the world beat in this section, but they are growing weaker and will soon cease to beat without the bread of life. Each minister has an average of nearly 300 square miles of territory to cover. Each minister has an average of more than 12,000 souls within his territory. We call upon the preachers to "spread-out;" we call upon the brethren to go with them, to hold up their hands, to plead with God in their behalf. We call upon the churches to pay their pastors more, give more to State Missions, so more men can occupy the field.

We would not forget the Piedmont section, with her growing towns, and need of Gospel work, or Western Carolina with her sublime scenery and need of religious development. May we all join hands and hearts, not for Eastern or Western or Central Carolina, but for Carolina for Christ.

M. P. DAVIS, for Committee.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

In the judgment of your Committee the work presents some peculiarities:

1. The field presents an open door to Baptist principles. Opposition has largely given way; other denominations and the people generally show a disposition to hear our missionaries. We never needed efficient laborers more than to-day.

2. We are hampered in the work for lack of houses of worship on several important fields. On the Greene county field, Rev. M. P. Davis, pastor, there has been advancement along all lines of the work. A new church building valued at $800. Davis Grove, and a church constituted with a present membership of 31. At Castoria an outstanding indebtedness of several years has been paid, and there have been a number of accessions by baptism and experience. At Taylor's school house, an arm of Snow Hill church, there was a successful revival resulting in several accessions. At Mount Nelson, there have been six additions by baptism. All the churches have paid their pledges. The field makes a net gain of 34 members.

Rev. J. B. Jackson's field. At the second church, Goldsboro, there has been a successful revival with several additions, and conditions greatly improved. At Falling Creek church there was a gracious meeting with a number of accessions. At Fremont a church has been constituted with seven members. A successful meeting was recently held on this point. The outlook is good, and a building is greatly needed.

No special results at Emmaus, but hopes are entertained for improvement in the near future. Results on this field, have been, as a whole, very satisfactory.

Lenoir county field, Rev. W. L. Bilbro, pastor. This field is composed of Ayden, Seven Springs, Union, New Hope and Sandy Bottom. Notable progress has been made at some of these churches. A church has been constituted at Sandy Bottom with 14 members. A lot has been secured, and a house is in course of erection. The work has been very satisfactory, though Bro. Bilbro has been in the field only a part of the year.

Craven county field, Rev. J. B. Newton pastor. It includes Dover, Spring Garden, Fort Barnwell, Cove churches, Vanceboro and other out stations. At Dover a successful meeeting was held with five accessions. At Fort Barnwell there were a number of accessions; no accessions to the other churches. Good prospects for organizing a church at Vanceboro.

Jones county field, Rev. S. E. Garner pastor. It includes Pollocksville, Maysville, Piney Grove, Trenton and two out stations. Good meetings have been reported from all these points, with accessions. These churches are further reported as in good condition and pledges paid.

As regards the Winterville High School the institution has prospered be-

yond our most sanguine expectations. We most heartily endorse the work of the trustees. In a large degree the success of the various mission fields as well as the phenomenal growth of the school is due to our general missionary, Rev. C. W. Blanchard. We heartily endorse his work, and recommend that if possible, either his entire or partial service be retained in this Association.

C. W. BLANCHARD,
A. G. COX,
C. A. JENKENS.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS RELIEF.

The Ministers Relief Board is located at Durham, N. C. Eighteen or twenty old ministers are helped by this Board. It is our duty to help our old brethren who have spent their lives working for the Master's cause, and not only that, but they have spent all their earnings for the good of souls.

And now it is our duty to help to make them comfortable in their helpless old age.

S. E. GARNER.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

God is the author of Foreign Missions. The last words of Christ to His people were to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. We are greatly remiss in our duty if we fail to do so. The growing church is the one full of Mission endeavor.

The fields occupied by the Southern Baptist Convention are China, Africa, Italy, Brazil, Mexico, and Japan.

At the Convention last May 115 Missionaries and 171 native assistants were reported, or 286 in all. Since then seven others have been sent, and two more sail this month. There are about 300 workers at present. Still there are others desirous to go. What shall be our answer to them? Yea, what is our reply when God says to each of us, "Go work in my vineyard to-day."

Seven Theological Training Schools--2 in China, two in Brazil, one in Rome, one in Mexico, one in Africa greatly aid in training workers. $173,439.49 were collected last year for Foreign Missions. This year $200,000 will be needed.

Our Association pledged $147.50 last year. Can we make it $200 the coming year?

We commend the Foreign Mission Journal as worthy of a place in every Baptist home.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville is an institution of which we all should be proud. It is ours; we helped to establish it. It is our privilege to help support it.

The following are some of the facts about our orphanage: 213 children are cared for. The Durham dormitory will be completed about the middle of November at which time forty or more children will be added to the present number. The entire plant is worth at least $125,000. The school is one of the best equipped in the State, in which are now employed five excellent teachers. It is well to keep in mind that our Orphanage is not a place where indolence is fostered. There is a farm which yields an annual dividend of one hundred dollars; also a shoe shop and a lumber mill in which many are employed. Hence we see the children learn the diginity of honest toil.

Bequests to the amount of $75,000 have been made during the past year,

but not a cent of interest has yet been realized. When this sum begins to yield an income, it will only open the way for the admittance of many more children who deserve the privilege of our orphanage; so that our obligations will not be decreased in the least.

All of us who have in any way, kept in touch with the working of this beloved Institution, know that the children receive the very best religious instruction and are as a rule led to accept Christ at an early age.

This report directs our attention to a great and glorious work which is well worthy of our prayers and our money. GEO. N. COWAN.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The State Boards of fifteen states (Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Indian Territory, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma Territory, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia) are in co-operation with us in part or the whole of their work.

SUMMARY OF WORK.

Missionaries	674
Weeks of labor	20,450
Churches and stations	1,757
Sermons and addresses	75,041
Prayer Meetings	15,100
Religious visits	163,005
Baptisms	8,150
Received by letter	9,051
Total additions	17,201
Churches constituted	231
Houses of worship built and improved	398
Sunday Schools organized	674
Bibles and Testaments distributed	27,499
Tracts distributed (pages)	2,084,355

In addition to the above summary, the Board has engaged in co-operative work among the negroes in five States (Georgia, Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina and Virgina) on a small scale.

The work of the Home Mission Board is needed as bad, and possibly worse than ever before, to help meet the needs in evangelizing the people of the long neglected mountain regions, and the rapidly increasing foreign population in our cities. Northern Georgia, Western North Carolina, Western South Carolina, Eastern Tennessee and Eastern Kentucky is a large district of country composing over a hundred counties, that has to a certain extent been neglected. The people are Baptist inclined, but undeveloped. This territory of country in order to be saved to the Baptists must be developen as rapidly as possible. The foreign population in our cities is increasing very fast. These people must be Christianized or they will ruin our folks. The several State Boards are not able to do this mountain and city mission work alone, but with the aid of the Home Mission Board they can do a great deal.

Our Board is also doing important work in Cuba.

The Board has always been generous to North Carolina. Over twenty important points were, in years gone by, largely sustained by the Home Mission Board, and from these points come over one-third of all contributions from North Carolina to the objects of the Convention.

The greatest need, doubtless in our work, is to reach the people spiritually, but another very important point is to reach them financially. Nine-tenths of our people give nothing for the objects of the Convention.

J. B. JACKSON.

CHURCHES.	Pledges for 1903	Pledges for 1902	Contributed.	Below Pledge.	Above Pledge.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Minute Fund.	Repairs on Churches.	Poor.	Colleges and Schools.	Other Objects.	Loss in Membership.	Gain in Membership.
Antioch	$ 118 50	$ 96 00	$ 153 13	$....	$57 13	$200 00	$18 00	$2 00	$230 00	5 73	$....	$ 8 00	....	12
Ayden	44 50	37 75	43 64	...	5 89	100 00	25 75	1 00	.....	....	50 00	.....	....	3
Castoria	24 50	28 25	38 47	.....	10 22	100 00	2 00	1 25	38 38	....	....	.....	....	1
Cove	8 00	7 50	7 50	Even	Even	25 00	.....	1 00	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Davis Grove	15 00	.....	17 03	.....	17 03	.....	8 65	1 15	395 63	...	.....	.....	....	31
Dover	10 50	8 50	8 75	...	20	18 50	.....	1 00	40 00	...	.....	.....	....	5
Emmaus	7 00	6 50	2 50	4 00	.....	20 00	.....	50	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Falling Creek	40 50	36 50	41 50	.....	5 00	100 00	.....	1 50	.....	....	.....	3 00	....	8
Fort Barnwell	35 00	25 25	50 95	....	25 70	75 00	7 80	1 00	.....	....	.....	17 00	....	5
Fremont	16 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	50	.....	....	.....	70 00	...	7
Goldsboro—First	282 00	292 00	424 50	..	132 50	1000 00	170 10	5 00	200 00	....	253 00	10 00	41	....
Goldsboro—Second	27 50	21 00	33 50	...	14 50	100 00	11 25	1 50	1 68	....	.....	18 00	....	6
Kinston	355 00	337 50	503 36	....	165 86	920 00	216 99	5 00	.....	....	100 75	.....	...	8
La Grange	61 00	63 00	64 15	...	1 15	125 00	13 00	1 25	93 56	....	.....	.....	2	....
Mt. Nelson	14 00	11 50	11 95	.....	45	25 25	2 54	50	27 52	....	.....	.....	..	4
New Hope	35 00	34 00	44 00	....	10 00	54 30	5 00	1 50	.....	....	.....	.....	18	....
Pollocksville	43 50	37 00	54 50	....	17 50	85 00	.....	1 00	.....	...	.....	.....	..	....
Mt. Calvary	18 50	14 00	16 50	.....	2 50	30 00	.....	50	.....	....	.....	50	...	....
Piny Grove	14 00	17 00	19 00	.....	2 00	82 10	.....	75	5 00	....	.....	2 00	....	9
Sandy Bottom	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	...	.....	.....	....	14
Seven Springs	20 50	16 75	15 50	1 25	.....	35 00	.....	50	216 00	...	.....	1 25	1	....
Snow Hill	23 00	13 00	40 84	...	27 84	50 00	1 50	1 00	.....	....	.....	.....	....	1
Maysville	10 00	4 00	7 50	3 50	.....	30 00	.....	50	.....	1 50	.....	11 00	....	2
Spring Garden	23 50	20 00	24 80	.....	4 80	50 00	.....	1 00	42 00	....	.....	.....	...	....
Trenton	10 00	11 00	10 00	1 00	....	25 08	.....	50	1 00	....	.....	6 00	...	2
Union	22 50	20 00	21 00	..	1 00	40 00	1 00	1 00	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....
Total	1292 00	1158 00	1654 52	9 75	484 24	3315 47	483 58	32 90	1290 77	7 23	403 75	146 75	62	118

From the above table we see that one church contributed the same it pledged, and four churches fell below their pledges to the amount of $9.75; eighteen churches excelled their pledges by $484.24. This makes a total increase above pledges of $474.49.

We also see that five churches neither gained nor lost in membership during the year; and that four churches met a total loss of 62; and that sixteen met a total gain of 118; making a total increase in membership of 56 during the past year. The total membership of the Neuse Association is 1441.

J. B. JACKSON, W. B. WINGATE.

CONSTITUTION

of the

NEUSE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association shall be known as the Neuse Baptist Association.

2. Its object shall be to extend the privileges of the gospel and liberal culture to all the people within its bounds, and by hearty co-operation with the Baptist State Convention, to help offer these privileges to all mankind in and out of the bounds, by the cordial co-operation of all the churches constituting this body.

3. It shall be composed of the pastors in active service in the Association and such delegates as shall be annually elected by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates unless the membership shall exceed fifty, and then an additional delegate for every twenty-five members, provided, no church shall have more than eight delegates, female representatives exercising the privileges that would be granted them at the business meetings of their churches.

4. The "New Hampshire Declaration of Faith" shall be the summary of Divine Truth for determining questions of faith and order in this body, and the churches desiring membership in it must commit themselves to the substance of it together with the Covenant therewith submitted and this Constitution.

5. This Association shall not have power to annul the discipline or exercise authority over any church connected with it, but it may advise with, and sever its connection with any church that neglects to preserve gospel order, or that treats with contempt the objects or advice of the Association.

6. Each church shall send to the annual meetings of the Association a letter (the blanks to be furnished by the Clerk of the Association) carefully filled as per blank suggestions, stating the full work of the church for the year ending with the close of the month previous to the one in which the Association is held.

7. The Association shall foster State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, the Aged Minister's Relief Board, the Thomasville Orphanage, and the Sunday-School Board, and each church shall be requested to contribute to the support of these objects annually.

8 Missions and Education shall have precedence in their claims upon the consideration of this body in its regular sessions.

9. Whenever a church shall fail to be represented by delegates or letter at the annual sessions of the Association, or shall fail to contribute to the objects fostered by the Association, inquiry shall be made for the cause, efforts shall be made to induce such a church to do its duty, and the effort shall be continued till the church is recovered or dropped from the roll.

10. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Historian, and a Treasurer, elected annually by ballot, from among its members, to serve until their successors shall have been elected and to perform the duties usual to such officers, namely, the Moderator in presiding, or Vice-Moderator in his absence, over the meetings, the Clerk in recording and preserving minutes and other papers belonging to the body, the Treasurer in receiving and disbursing funds belonging to or entrusted to the body according to its will, the Historian in keeping a continuous record of the work and progress of the entire Association and making an annual report of same to each of its sessions.

11. The Association shall appoint annually an Executive Committee of three (3) from its members, who shall be intrusted with the prosecution of missions in the Association, and any other work for the interest of the Master's Kingdom which may be referred to them. This Committee shall, as far as possible, co-operate with the State Mission Board in supplying the destitution in our territory, and between the meetings of the Association

take such action as may seem to them advisable for the advancement of its interests. The Committee shall present to the Association at its annual meeting a report of all its proceedings, with the names of the Missionaries supported on the field, time of service, and detail of their work, together with such recommendations as in the judgment of the Committee the Association should follow in planning its subsequent work.

12. The annual sessions of the Association shall begin on Tuesday after the third Lord's day in October at such place as may be chosen, and an introductory sermon shall be delivered on the first day of the session. Representatives from a majority of the churches constituting the Association shall be a quorum.

13. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

14. Provisions shall be made at each annual Association for a session of the Woman's Central Committee and all other necessary encouragement offered for the enlargement of the organized work of the Woman's Missionary Societies in the local churches. The proceedings of the Woman's Central Committee shall be recorded as a part of the minutes of the Association.

BY-LAWS.

1. The daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Delegates shall be recognized by letters from their churches designating them as such

3. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or the delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand.

4. The report of the Executive Board and the Missionary work of the Association, shall take precedence of all other business during the morning session of the second day of the annual session.

5. The Clerk shall record and read the proceedings when called for, superintend the publication and distribution of the Minutes, preserve a file of them, and have it present at each annual session, and deliver to his successor all papers belonging to the body.

6. Members desiring to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "brother" in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe the courtesy that becomes Christians.

7. Members shall not absent themselves from the session without permission.

8. The roll of members shall be called at least once and absentees marked.

9. Corresponding messengers and visiting brethren shall be invited to seats, with privilege of speaking but not of voting.

10. A copy of the minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board; the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention; the American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia; the Sunday-School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Thomasville Orphanage.

11. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by Kerfoot's Parliamentary Law.

PLEDGES FOR 1903.

CHURCHES.	Ministers Relief.	Orphanage.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Totals.
Antioch	$ 6 00	$ 15 00	$ 60 00	$ 7 50	$ 10 00	$ 20 00	$ 118 50
Ayden	2 50	5 00	25 00	2 00	5 00	5 00	44 50
Castoria	1 50	4 00	10 00	2 00	4 00	2 50	24 00
Cove	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	8 50
Davis Grove	1 00	2 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	5 00	15 00
Dover	1 00	1 00	4 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	10 50
Emmaus	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	7 00
Fremont	1 00	~~5 00~~	5 00	2 00	1 00	2 50	16 50
Ealling Creek	3 00	~~7 00~~	20 00	~~3 00~~	5 00	2 50	40 50
Fort Barnwell	2 50	5 00	15 00	3 00	7 50	2 00	35 00
Goldsboro—First Church	12 00	75 00	110 00	25 00	35 00	25 00	282 00
Goldsboro—Second Church	2 00	5 00	12 00	~~3 00~~	~~3 00~~	2 50	27 50
Kinston	10 00	75 00	150 00	50 00	50 00	20 00	355 00
La Grange	10 00	22 50	15 00	6 00	7 50	.....	61 00
Maysville	1 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	10 00
Mount Calvary	1 00	2 00	10 00	2 00	2 50	1 00	18 50
Mount Nelson	1 00	~~2 00~~	7 50	~~1 00~~	~~1 50~~	1 00	14 00
New Hope	2 00	5 00	20 00	3 00	3 00	2 00	35 00
Pollocksville	1 50	5 00	20 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	43 50
Piney Grove	1 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	14 00
Sandy Bottom	1 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	12 00
Seven Springs	1 00	3 00	10 00	2 00	2 50	2 00	20 50
Snow Hill	1 50	2 00	10 00	2 00	2 50	5 00	23 00
Spring Garden	2 00	2 00	12 50	2 00	3 00	2 00	23 50
Trenton	1 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	10 00
Union	3 00	3 00	10 00	2 00	2 50	2 00	22 50
Totals	$ 71 50	$ 253 50	$ 555 00	$ 133 50	$ 167 50	$ 111 00	$1292 00

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS.	CLERKS AND ADDRESSES.	Preaching Sabbath.	Baptisms.	Rec. by letter.	Restored.	Dis. by letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity of Church.	Number of Males.	Number of Females	Total Membership.
Antioch—C. W. Blanchard	C. J. Jackson, Winterville	4th	12	2	2	3	.	1	$ 1000 00	350	34	40	74
Ayden—W. L. Bilbro	C. L. Tyson, Ayden	2d	1	5		3	.	.	750 00	300	11	23	34
Castoria—M. P. Davis	T. W Carr, Castoria	3d	6	.		3	.	2	500 00	150	14	24	38
Cove—J. B. Newton	T. B. Ipock, Cove	4th	.	.	.	.	.	.	400 00	200	5	12	17
Davis Grove—M. P. Davis	Dr. W. W. Whittington, Bull Head	1st	16	14	1	.	.		800 00	250	11	20	31
Dover—J. B. Newton		2d	.	3	2	.	.		50 00	.	8	8	16
Emmaus—J. B. Jackson	J. C Edwards, Dudley	1st	.	.	.	.	.		450 00	400	7	20	27
Fremont—J. B. Jackson	C. C. Teague, Fremont	4th	2	5	.	.		.	50 00	250	1	6	7
Falling Creek—J. B. Jackson	T. J. Hood, Grantham	2d	11	.	.	1	1	1	500 00	250	39	51	90
Fort Barnwell—J. B. Newton	J. W. Lane, Fort Barnwell	3d	5	.	.	.	.	.	500 00	200	24	26	50
Goldsboro, 1st—C. A. Jenkens	J. M. Hollowell, Goldsboro	Every	7	10	.	12	41	5	7000 00	600	115	173	288
Goldsboro, 2d—J. B. Jackson	J. W. Sadler, Goldsboro	1st & 3d	6	3	.	.	.	3	750 00	200	27	53	80
Kinston—Geo. N. Cowan	R. H. Lewis, Kinston	Every	5	19	.	10	6		17500 00	800	76	166	242
La Grange—J. H. Rich	G. L. Capell, LaGrange	4th	.	3	.	3	1	1	2000 00	500	16	40	56
Maysville—S. E. Garner	Mrs Emma Barbee Maysville	3d	1	2	1	1		1	400 00	300	8	11	19
Mt. Calvary—J. B. Jackson	R. A. Parker, Goldsboro	2d	.	.	.	.	.	.	150 00	200	10	10	20
Mt. Nelson—M. P. Davis	Mrs. Alice Strother, Eureka	1st	6	.	.	.	1	1	700 00	400	4	21	25
New Hope—W. L. Bilbro	W. E. Sutton, Kinston	3d	.	.	.	14	1	3	400 00	250	15	27	42
Pollocksville—S. E. Garner	T. A. Bell, Pollockville	4th	4	2		.	.	2	500 00	.	18	32	50
Piney Grove—S. E. Garner	A. D. Kellum, Oliver's	2d	6	2	4	2	.	1	500 00	300	29	47	76
Sandy Bottom	No Letter												
Seven Springs—W. L. Bilbro	S. D. Byrd, Seven Springs	4th	.	.	.	.	.	1	700 00	250	16	19	35
Snow Hill—M. P. Davis	Parham Taylor, Snow Hill	2d	11	1	1	10	1	1	500 00	200	11	22	33
Spring Garden—J. B. Newton	Mrs Roberta Carmon, New Berne	1st	.	.	.	.		.	400 00	200	3	8	11
Trenton—S. E Garner	C. C. Perry, Trenton	1st	.	2	.	1	.	.			8	13	21
Union—W. L. Bilbro	W. W. Rouse, Strabane	1st	.	.	.	.	.	2	500 00	250	14	24	38
Totals			99	73	11	63	52	25	$ 37000 00	6800	524	896	1420

SCHOOLS	SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	No. Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers Taken.	Months open.	Average Attendance.	No. Baptisms from School.	Contributions for all Objects.
Antioch	A. G. Cox, Winterville	9	132	141	..	200	12	93	10	$ 37 21
Ayden	W. C. Jackson, Ayden	6	60	66	...	100	12	40	....	21 14
*Castoria		...	.....	.....	...	.....	..	....	....	.....
*Cove		...	.....	.....	...	.....	..	....	....	.....
Davis Grove	W. W. Whittington, Bull Head	6	56	62	....	78	5	37	6	37 29
*Dover		...	....	.....	...	.....	..	....	....	.....
*Emmaus		....	....	....	....	...	..	..	....	.. ..
*Fremont		....	.....	.....	....	.....	..	....	....	.....
Falling Creek	J. B. Grantham, Grantham's	5	97	102	30	84	12	65	10	10 00
Fort Barnwell	M D. Lane, Fort Barnwell	5	57	62	..	42	12	35	...	6 00
Goldsboro—First Church	H. B. Parker, Goldsboro	19	212	231	....	225	12	160	3	107 00
Goldsboro—Second Church	J. J. Robinson, Goldsboro	11	79	90	....	140	12	53	6	14 61
Kinston	J. J. Rogers, Kinston	18	212	230	180	350	12	115	3	175 00
La Grange	G. L Capell, La Grange	5	56	61	....	60	12	.	....	10 00
Maysville	J. E. McCutchen, Maysville	5	45	50	....	40	11	30	....	....
Mt. Calvary	R. A. Parker, Goldsboro	4	32	36	..	38	12	25	...	7 00
Mt. Nelson	S. S Strother, Eureka	4	40	44	...	40	12	35	2	3 49
New Hope	W. E Sutton, Kinston	6	50	56	....	.....	12	35	..	6 50
Pollocksville	T. A. Bell, Pollocksville	5	41	46	14	48	12	29	2	13 50
Piney Grove	P. B McDaniel, Trenton	6	30	36	....	30	12	30	5	8 00
*Sandy Bottom		...	.....	.....	....	...	....	....	...	.....
Seven Springs	G. G. Quinn, Seven Springs	4	30	34	20	42	12	20	...	3 25
Snow Hill	A. H. Joyner, Snow Hill	6	41	47	..	60	6	30	5	3 50
Spring Garden	O. H. Perry, New Berne	5	30	35	..	40	6	20	..	4 00
*Trenton		....	.....	.....	....	...	..	....	...	.....
Union	T. E. Elmore, Strabane	8	34	42	....	50	12	25	...	.....
*No School reported,	Totals	137	1334	1471	244	1667	..	....	52	$ 427 49

WOMANS MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Statistics.

CHURCHES.	PRESIDENT AND POST OFFICE.	Number of Members.	Contributed to all Objects.
Antioch	Mary J. Carroll, Winterville	24	$
Castoria	Mrs. Bettie Beaman, Speight's Bridge	8	4 95
Fort Barnwell	Mrs. J. B. Newton, Fort Barnwell	9	32 50
Goldsboro—1st	Mrs. S. D. Petteway, Goldsboro	....	117 50
Goldsboro—2d	Mrs R. J. Hardison, Goldsboro	20	6 50
Kinston	Mrs. R. H. Lewis, Kinston	30	276 19
New Hope	Nonie O. Sutton, Kinston	8	.....
Pollocksville	Mrs. S. E Garner, Pollocksville	9	15 00
Snow Hill	Mrs. —— McKee, Snow Hill	14	20 00
Spring Garden	Mrs. A. E. Weathersby, New Berne	10	4 80
Totals		132	$ 477 44

YOUNG LADIES AID SOCIETY.—Statistics.

Kinston	Miss Clara Wooten, Kinston	....	.....

LADIES AID SOCIETY.—Statistics.

Kinston	Mrs. E. F. Cox, Kinston	49	$ 61 35

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.—Statistics.

Kinston	L. R. Varsar, Kinston	75	$ 37 00

SUNBEAMS.—Statistics.

Antioch	J. S. Cox, Winterville	53	$
Fort Barnwell	Eva Pittman	38	5 00
Pollocksville	Mrs. S E. Garner	11	3 50
Total		102	$ 8 50

FINANCIAL RECAPITULATION.

PAID BY	Expenses Including Pastor's Salary.	Contibuted to all Objects.	Totals.
Churches	$ 5680 45	$ 1654 52	$ 7334 97
Sunday Schools	342 49	85 00	427 49
Woman's Missionary Societies	.....	477 44	477 44
Ladies Aid Societies	....	61 35	61 35
B. Y. P. Unions	37 00	.....	39 00
Sunbeams	.....	8 50	8 50
Association Collections	3 00	6 25	9 25
Totals	$ 6062 94	$ 2293 06	$ 8356 00

Dr W. H. Whittington chemist Mort
and Asr W. F. Fry clerk - A. G. Cox
Treas-
A. Johnson - Jones - Rich - Hillman
Council -

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Vice-Moderator—J. B. Jackson.....Goldsboro, N. C.
Clerk—W. F. Fry.....Goldsboro, N. C.
Treasurer—A. G. Cox.....Winterville, N. C.
Historian—G. N. Cowan.....Kinston, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

G. N. Cowan, Chairman, W. F. Fry and A. G. Cox.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Home Missions .....W. F. Fry.
Foreign Missions .....J. B. Jackson.
State Missions.....G. N. Cowan.
Orphanage .....G. E. Lineberry.
Education .....S. W. Oldham.
Periodicals .....A. G. Cox.
Temperance.....C. C. Teague.
Aged Ministers' Relief.....T. J. Mitchell.
Sunday Schools.....W. L. Bilbro.
Church Building in Neuse Association..Executive Committee with G. E. Lineberry.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Pastor Antioch Baptist Church, Executive Committee of Neuse Association, Male Members of the Faculty of Winterville High School.

MINISTERIAL REGISTER.

C. W. Blanchard.....Cary, N. C.
S. W. Oldham.....LaGrange, N. C.
M. P. Davis.....New Bern, N. C.
G. N. Cowan.....Kinston, N. C.
S. E. Garner.....Polloksville, N. C.
J. B. Jackson.....Goldsboro, N. C.
W. F. Fry.....Goldsboro, N. C.
J. B. Newton.....Fort Barnwell, N. C.
W. L. Bilbro.....Ayden, N. C.
B. W. Spilman.....Kinston, N. C.
T. H. King.....Ayden, N. C.

LIST OF MESSENGERS.

Antioch—A. G. Cox, G. E. Lineberry, Misses Annie Stocks and Dora Cox.
Ayden—W. L. Bilbro.
Castoria—No Letter.
Cove—J. B. Newton.
Davis Grove—Dr. W. W. Whittington.
Dover—J. B. Newton.
Emmaus—J. B. Jackson.
Falling Creek—D. J. Hood.
Fort Barnwell—M. D. Lane, D. B. Wooten, J. B. Newton.
Fremont—J. B. Jackson.
Goldsboro, 1st Church—W. F. Fry, Mrs. H. L. Grant.
Goldsboro, 2nd Church—J. B. Jackson.
Kinston—G. N. Cowan, B. W. Spilman.
LaGrange—J. P. Joyner.
Maysville—U. E. Eubank, J. E. McCutchen.
Mt. Calvary—J. B. Jackson.
Mt. Nelson—M. E. Britt.
New Bern, Tabernacle—M. P. Davis, T. J. Mitchell, Byard Whitehurst.
New Hope—W. L. Bilbro.
Piney Grove—B. A. Riggs, A. F. Cox, Eula McDaniel.
Polloksville—T. A. Bell.
Sandy Bottom—Rudolph Croom, J. W. Croom.
Seven Springs—W. L. Bilbro.
Snow Hill—V. R. Smith.
Spring Garden—J. B. Newton.
Trenton—C. C. Perry.
Union—W. L. Bilbro.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The fifth annual session of the Neuse Baptist Association convened with the Polloksville Church, Tuesday, October 20th, 1903, at 11 A. M.

In the absence of the Moderator, Dr. W. W. Whittington was made Moderator *pro tem.*

List of Churches are called and delegates present enrolled.

The Association then went into the election of permanent officers, with the following result: Dr. W. W. Whittington, Moderator; J. B. Jackson, Vice Moderator; W. F. Fry, Clerk; A. G. Cox, Treasurer; G. N. Cowan, Historian.

On motion, G. N. Cowan, J. B. Jackson and M. E. Britt were appointed a Committee on Order of Business.

The following visiting brethren were welcomed to seats in the body: Elder S. F. Conrad, representing the *North Carolina Baptist;* Elder L. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, and Elder W. H. Rich, of the Atlantic Association.

The Committee on Order of Business made a partial report, as follows, for the afternoon session:

2:30, Devotional Exercises.
2:45, Miscellaneous Business.
3:00, State Missions.
3:45, Temperance.
4:30, Adjournment.

In the absence of the members of the Standing Committee to prepare reports on State Missions and Temperance, W. F. Fry and J. B. Jackson were appointed to take their places.

A letter of dismission from the New Bern Tabernacle Church, Atlantic Association, was read and upon motion was received into this body and the right-hand of fellowship extended to the delegates.

The Atlantic Baptist Association to the Neuse Association—Greeting:

This is to certify that the New Bern Tabernacle Church is a member in good and regular standing with us, and at her own request is hereby dismissed for the purpose of uniting with you.

May God's richest blessings rest upon her and you.

Done by order of the body in session at Piney Grove, Onslow county, N. C.

A. W. SETZER, Moderator.
B. H. MATHEWS, Clerk.

Oct. 15th, 1903.

A motion to adjourn is made and carried, and the benediction is pronounced by Elder S. F. Conrad.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met according to adjournment at 2:30 P. M. Devotional exercises were conducted by Elder M. P. Davis.

Under the head of Miscellaneous Business, Brother A. L. Trott made a statement in regard to the need of a house of worship at Spring Hill.

Following the Order of Business, the report on State Missions was called for and read.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The organizing of our Baptist forces three quarters of a century ago, with a view to supplying the destitution in our State, was one of the wisest moves our people ever made. Little, along any line, can be done without proper organization and we are certain that the great work that the Baptists have done in North Carolina is, in a very large measure, due to the organized effort to do State Mission work. Scarcely nothing was done until the Convention was organized in 1830.

We rejoice at the fruit that this work has borne. It has made many of what were once our weakest churches the strongest in the State; it has unified our forces as perhaps no other single agency has done; it has sent the herald of the cross into the solitary place and sustained him there until the community was made strongly Baptistic and able to support him; it has done much toward stimulating the spirit of benevolence to other objects; it has been the means of winning to Christ, perhaps, one out of every five Baptists in the State.

But State Mission work is not done, we should feel sorry if it were. The industrial developments in the State in the last 15 years have been nothing less than marvelous and the end is nowhere in sight. We have the natural advantages to make us the greatest State in the Union, and men of capital and brains have found it out. All this means that to be true to their convictions, the Baptists must make State Missions equal to the task. It means that there must be an increase in our contributions to this object.

W. F. FRY.

Pending motion to adopt, Secretary L. Johnson spoke to the report. The roll of Churches was called and pledges taken for the object. Report adopted. (See table of finance.)

The special hour for the report on Temperance having arrived, it was called for and read.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Intemperance is the greatest crime producer in our country to-day. It has caused more misery in this world than all the wars, famines and pestilences put together. I recently heard an ex-judge say: "Alcoholic drink, in some form, is responsible, either directly or indirectly for at least three-fourths of the cases that are brought before our court. Not less than two-thirds of the people in the institutions for the insane are there as a result of strong drink."

The belief that intemperance is on the decline is false. But on the contrary, statistics show that there is a gradual yearly increase in the amount of alcoholic drink consumed. It is true that in North Carolina there is a great fight being made against this monster evil. Victory after victory, has been reported, but there is a great deal to be accomplished yet. We believe

that there is yet a brighter day for the temperance work in North Carolina if we faint not by the way. We are glad to know that wherever this fight has been started the Baptists are in the front ranks, and generally leading the campaigns. This Temperance work is a righteous work, the workers are God's army, and He will lead His army on to victory.

J. B. JACKSON.

Pending motion to adopt, J. B. Jackson and S. F. Conrad discussed the report. Report adopted.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

Enrollment—J. B. Jackson, W. F. Fry.
Order of Business—G. N. Cowan, J. B. Jackson, M. E. Britt.
Finance Committee—T. A. Bell, G. E. Lineberry, B. B. Wooten.
Petitionary Letters—S. E. Garner, G. N. Cowan.
Digest of Church Letters—J. B. Jackson, C. C. Perry.
To Nominate Delegates to State and Southern Baptist Convention—W. L. Bilbro, B. A. Riggs, T. J. Mitchell.
To Nominate Members to Fill Vacancies on Board of Trustees of Winterville High School—A. G. Cox, V. R. Smith, D. J. Hood.
To Nominate Executive Committee—J. B. Jackson, M. E. Britt.
Obituaries—G. N. Cowan, S. O. Hall.
On Place and Preacher—John Joyner, M. E. Britt, D. J. Hood.

The Committee on Order of Business reported as follows for the remainder of the session:

7:30 P. M. Introductory sermon by the regular appointed preacher, Elder G. N. Cowan.
9:30. Wednesday morning meet for devotional exercises.
10:00. Miscellaneous Business.
10:15. Home Missions.
11:00. Report of Executive Committee and Missionaries.
12:00. Periodicals.
12:30. Adjournment.
2:30. Orphanage.
3:15. Report of Committee on Church Building and Extension in Neuse Association.
4:00. Adjournment.
7:30. Education—Ministerial and General.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

9:30. Devotional Exercises.
10:00. Miscellaneous Business.
10:15. Sunday Schools.
11:00. Aged Ministerial Relief.
11:30. Foreign Missions.
12:00. Concluding Business. Adjournment.

G. N. COWAN,
J. B. JACKSON,
M. E. BRITT.

FIRST DAY—NIGHT SESSION.

At 7:30 the Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder G. N. Cowan from the Scripture: "All power is given unto me in heaven

and in earth. Go ye therefore," found in Matt. 28: 18-19. It was a sermon of rare intellectual and spiritual power.

The Association then listened to the report on Periodicals.

PERIODICALS.

"The pen is mightier than the sword." Never in any age of the world has there been as great demand for books and periodicals as now. There is a thirst for knowledge, such as the world never saw. Hence, it behooves us as Christians to quickly seize this mighty force—the printing press—and make it an engine of power for good—rather than a source of wickedness. We would therefore call your attention to the Biblical Recorder, the organ of the Baptist State Convention. We take great pleasure in the growth of the paper during the past year. Having such a paper we desire that it shall be supported in a manner that will make it always represent us worthily; and carry to the world a message sound in doctrine, strong with truth, and a mighty power for the upbuilding of mankind. Therefore let every pastor see to it that the Recorder is read by all of his members. We commend also the North Carolina Baptist which is wielding an influence against the liquor traffic—that is more powerful than a two edged sword—a paper that is a helpful factor in our denominational work. The Atlantic Messenger is an interesting paper and deserves our most loyal support.

Charity and children, a most excellent paper, deserves the support of all of the members of this Association. God pity the person that hath not Charity in his heart and does not love children.

We commend also our Sunday School supplies published at Nashville, Tenn.; Foreign Mission Journal, Richmond, Va., and Our Home Field at Atlanta, Ga.

C. E. TEAGUE.

S. F. Conrad was given fifteen minutes to present the claims of the *North Carolina Baptist.*

The Association then adjourned with benediction by W. H. Rich.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted at 9:30 by Elder J. B. Newton.

Minutes of the afternoon and night sessions read, corrected and approved. The Association recognized J. S. Farmer, of the *Biblical Recorder,* and the Moderator welcomed him to a seat in the body.

Under the head of Miscellaneous Business the following committee reports were read and adopted by the Association:

"We your Committee to nominate delegates to the Southern Baptist and Baptist State Conventions beg to report the following names: To the Southern Baptist Convention, W. F. Fry, delegate, A. G. Cox, alternate; to Baptist State Convention, G. N. Cowan, Dr. W. W. Whittington, M. E. Britt, delegates, J. B. Jackson, V. R. Smith and T. A. Bell, alternates."

COMMITTEE.

Your Committee to nominate an Executive Committee recommend the following brethren: G. N. Cowan, W. F. Fry, A. G. Cox.

It is now the hour for the report on Home Missions. It is read by W. L. Bilbro.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The importance, the needs, and the scope of the work under the Home Board is not, we fear, properly understood, nor appreciated by the masses of our Baptist people—though we are glad to be able to report improvement, both as to interest and liberality, in this very important work.

Some have regarded the Home Board as a useless institution, and have contended that this work could be done by our State Conventions. But, if we were to abandon this factor in the mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention, great destitution would result, and the work would be sadly neglected.

It has been said that Home Missions have always been the chief source of all other missionary and educational enterprises. It is further stated that there are hundreds of churches all over our land which are now pouring their offerings into our Foreign Mission treasury which were founded and fostered by our Home Mission Boards—in fact it is said that the success of every interest to which Southern Baptists are committed is in a measure dependent upon the efficiency and support given to our Home Mission Board therefore, we urge the churches in this Association to increase their interest and offerings for this great work, and thereby, help to carry out the words of the Master, "And ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

Respectfully submitted, W. L. BILBRO, Committee.

Brethren W. L. Bilbro, B. W. Spilman and W. H. Rich spoke to the report. The report was then adopted and pledges taken, which showed an increase of 57 per cent. over the pledges last year. (See table of finance.)

It is 11 o'clock and G. N. Cowan reads the report of the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Neuse Association presents a field in many ways peculiar. One of the peculiarities is found in the fact that the principles held by Missionary Baptists are not well understood. In some sections the majority of the people have been rocked in a Baptist cradle. In such sections the work is not so much to teach principles, but to strengthen people in the doctrines they have already accepted. Such is not the condition on this field; but while this is true we believe the field presents an open door for Baptist principles.

Two special needs confront us. It seems first, men who can and will preach our distinctive doctrines in a way that they will commend themselves to the honest mind and heart: second, the missionary spirit needs special consideration. The weak church must be a "going" church. This is the only immunity from the law of death.

We deem it fitting to make some mention of the condition of the work on each field. The Wayne county field presents many encouraging features. Elder J. B. Jackson has labored faithfully on this field, and is realizing in some measure at least the fruit of his earnest efforts. The membership of the 2nd Church in Goldsboro is not as large as it was a year ago—they have been using the pruning knife which we believe leaves the work in better condition than it was at the time of the last report. At Falling Creek, Fremont, Mt. Nelson the outlook is hopeful. The Fremont Church greatly needs a house of worship which we must supply or lose what we have gained.

The Lenoir County field is composed of Ayden, Seven Springs, New Hope, Union and Sandy Bottom churches. This work under the leadership of Elder W. L. Bilbro seems to be in a fairly good condition. The Ayden church is in

splendid condition. At New Hope and Sandy Bottom are to be found a multitude of young people which with proper efforts will in the near future greatly strengthen our work at these points. The Seven Springs Church is taking a firmer hold upon the work than ever before. Upon a whole this field presents a favorable prospect.

On the Craven County field Elder J. B. Newton has done faithful work for more than three years. We observe that this field has contributed to almost all the objects of our work. One church has been constituted during the year. As to the future of this new church we have nothing to say. Vanceboro is the location of this newly organized church. To our minds, this is about the deadest place, spiritually, we have ever seen.

The Jones County field seems to be in good condition. Elder S. E. Garner has done well, taking all things into account. Some of the churches on this field have doubled their pledges for the coming year. Good meetings have been at most of the churches on this field, which resulted in several additions. The outlook is bright.

The Green County field has been without a pastor all the year. We have not the particulars bearing upon this work. From expressions which have come to us we expect to hear good results from Green County. They have called a pastor who will be on the field in the near future. We regret very much that these excellent people have been so long without a pastor. Elder J. K. Faulkner did good work as a supply during part of the year.

Your Executive Committee take peculiar pleasure in mentioning the excellent work done by our school at Winterville. We know of no agency which means so much for our cause in this section. The success of this school has gone beyond the highest expectations. This we hope is only a prophecy of what the future has in store for our educational work.

We regret to part with two of our noble brethren. Brethren J. B. Newton and S. E. Garner have resigned their respective fields. These are true men. May the blessing of God attend their labors wherever they may go.

G. N. COWAN,
A. G. COX.

Missionaries J. B. Jackson, J. B. Newton, S. E. Garner and W. L. Bilbro told of the work in their respective fields, which, for the most part, was decidedly encouraging. M. P. Davis, former pastor in Greene County, made a short, hopeful talk about the work in that county. Report is adopted.

The hour has arrived for finishing the discussion on Periodicals. J. S. Farmer, W. L. Bilbro and A. G. Cox spoke in the interest of the *Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children,* etc. M. P. Davis represented the *Atlantic Messenger.* Report is adopted.

Association adjourned till 2:30 P. M. Benediction by J. B. Jackson.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

B. W. Spilman conducted devotional exercises at 2:30 o'clock.

Minutes of the morning session read, and approved by the body.

Under the head of Miscellaneous Business, M. E. Britt made the following report:

"We beg to report on place and preacher for the next Association: Mt. Nelson, Eureka, N. C., Elder W. F. Fry to preach the Introductory Sermon.

"M. E. Britt, for Committee."

The Orphanage now claims the attention of the Association and Elder S. E. Garner reads the report.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville has ever been loyal to the great mission for which it was founded. It deserves our love, our prayers, and our support.

There are at the Orphanage now about 275 children. These little ones have the best of school advantages and their moral and religious environment is unsurpassed by that of any other institution in the State. The Orphanage has a farm on which many are employed and hence the children learn the dignity of honest labor.

These facts should arouse us to give our loyal support to this great and glorious work. S. E. GARNER.

Brethren S. E. Garner and W. H. Rich speak in the interest of the institution. Report is adopted and pledges taken. (See table of finance.)

A motion was made and carried to postpone report of Committee on Church Building and Extension in Neuse Association until night.

A motion to adjourn was made and carried.

Benediction by Elder G. N. Cowan.

SECOND DAY—NIGHT SESSION.

After a short prayer and song service, the report on Education was called for and read by A. G. Cox.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Education is the broadening of the mind, the strengthening of the intellect and the opening of the way for moral and religious conviction.

Our political and religious leaders see the need of a better educated citizenship and are striving to make our common schools more effective in their work and to build up high schools and colleges that our children may obtain higher education even under unfavorable circumstances.

We would call special attention to three institutions of learning that demand our support and most careful attention.

Wake Forest College at Wake Forest, where our young men may receive special training and preparation to fill the most important positions in our midst or elsewhere.

The Baptist Female University at Raleigh, where we may send our daughters to receive the advantages of higher education that they may become our noblest helpers in all that is true and good.

Winterville High School located at Winterville. This school is the property of our own Association and is built up for the purpose of giving our

young such course of high preparatory training at less cost than could be had elsewhere, fully equipping them to enter any of our colleges.

We believe this school has and is accomplishing even more than was expected of it and we attribute this great success in no little measure to the faithful service of Prof. G. E. Lineberry. A. G. COX, Committee.

Brethren A. G. Cox, W. F. Fry, G. E. Lineberry and G. N. Cowan discussed the subject. Report adopted.

Brother G. N. Cowan explained the work of the Church Building and Extension Committee. The plan of the committee is to concentrate its efforts at one place until a house of worship has been built. Elder J. B. Jackson, of Goldsboro, is the treasurer of this committee.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

At 10 o'clock devotional exercises were conducted by W. F. Fry.

Under Miscellaneous Business, J. B. Jackson reads the report on Digest of Church Letters.

It will be seen that the digest shows that eight churches contributed the same they pledged, and two churches fell below their pledges to the amount of $18.21; thirteen churches excelled their pledges by $807.66. This makes a total increase in contributions above pledges of $789.45.

We also see that eight churches neither gained nor lost in membership during the year; and that six churches met a total loss of twenty-four, and that thirteen met a total gain of 105, making a total increase in membership during the year of 81. The Neuse Association adding the 67 members of the New Bern Tabernacle has 1532 members.

The figures below show what the fields of the Neuse Association contributed for the objects of the Convention in 1902 and the increase for 1903.

	1902	1903	Increase.
Antioch contributed in	$ 153 13	$ 179 72	$ 26 59
Craven County Field contributed in	92 00	121 55	29 55
Goldsboro—First Church—contributed in	424 50	544 63	120 13
Kinston contributed in	503 36	726 99	223 63
Jones County Field contributed in	91 00	99 25	8 25
Lenoir County Field contributed in	123 64	126 29	2 65
Wayne County Field contributed in 74.75	103 45	151 00	47 55
Total	$ 1491 08	$ 1949 43	$ 458 35

The Green county field had no pastor during the year, but the churches that we have heard from increased their contributions. We had no letter from Castoria.

C. C. PERRY,
J. B. JACKSON.

CHURCHES.	Pledges for 1904.	Pledges for 1903.	Contributed on Pledges.	Below Pledge.	Above Pledge.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Minute Fund.	Repairs on Churches.	Poor.	Colleges and Schools.	Other Objects.	Loss in Membership.	Gain in Membership.	Number of Members.	Contributed per member on Pledge.
Antioch	$133 50	$118 50	$179 72	$ ...	$61 22	$200 00	$18 00	$2 00	$ ...	$ ..	$65 00	$	....	12	86	$2 09
Ayden	46 50	44 50	44 50	*	*	100 00	7 50	1 00	15 00	.....	5 00	13 60	..	....	34	1 31
Castoria	24 00	24 50	..	.....	...	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	...	38	.....
Cove	8 50	8 00	8 50	.....	50	25 00	.....	50	12 50	.....	10 00	.....	6	....	10	85
Davis Grove	13 00	15 00	5 00	10 00	....	30 00	3 00	80	94 50	..	.....	.....	3	...	28	18
Dover	10 50	10 50	12 05	.....	1 55	25 00	.....	50	41 55	.....	.....	.....	8	...	10	1 20
Emmaus	7 00	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27	.....
Falling Creek	32 00	40 50	55 96	..	15 46	125 00	7 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00	*	*	87	64
Fort Barnwell	37 00	35 00	70 50	..	35 50	75 00	2 50	2 00	.....	.....	.....	22 00	....	5	52	1 56
Fremont	16 50	16 50	16 50	*	*	25 00	20 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	..	4	11	1 50
Goldsboro—First	410 00	282 00	544 63	.....	262 63	900 00	147 00	5 00	114 58	26 86	10 00	52 00	....	35	323	1 68
Goldsboro—Second	27 50	27 50	44 58	..	17 08	100 00	4 57	1 55	50	2 98	1 66	3 07	5	....	75	60
Kinston	690 00	355 00	726 99	...	371 99	1000 00	.....	5 00	1205 42	4 85	85 00	207 70	....	26	251	2 90
LaGrange	68 50	61 00	66 00	....	5 00	.....	11 58	1 00	.....	.....	27 00	.....	....	3	60	1 10
Maysville	19 00	10 00	10 00	*	*	30 00	.....	50	.....	2 00	.....	10 50	....	2	21	47
Mt. Calvary	12 50	18 50	18 50	*	*	30 00	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	....	19	1 03
Mt. Nelson	16 00	14 00	15 36	.....	1 36	30 00	2 82	50	.....	.....	35	.....	....	1	26	59
New Hope	36 00	35 00	35 00	*	*	70 00	.....	.	.....	2 00	.....	.....	....	....	41	85
Piney Grove	15 00	14 00	14 00	*	*	95 75	.....	1 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	....	1	78	15
Polloksville	45 00	43 50	65 25	.....	21 75	95 00	.....	1 00	65 70	.....	.....	1 75	....	2	52	1 25
Sandy Bottom	13 00	12 00	12 00	*	*	25 00	.....	..	.....	.....	..	....	....	1	15	80
Seven Springs	21 50	20 55	20 50	*	*	40 00	.....	50	.....	...	.....	.....	....	....	35	58
Snow Hill	24 50	23 00	29 62	....	6 62	60 00	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	....	24	1 02
Spring Garden	23 50	23 50	30 80	.....	7 00	65 00	.....	50	.....	...	.....	33 00	....	2	12	2 54
Trenton	15 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	21	.....
Union	22 50	22 50	14 29	8 21	....	40 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....
New Bern—Tabernacle	252 00	.....	285 54	..	.....	490 00	200 00	2 50	700 00	10 00	60 00	.....	....	11	67	4 30
Total	2040 00	1292 00	2099 66	18 21	807 66	3675 75	426 07	31 35	1549 85	48 69	265 01	347 62	24	115	1532	

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Elder W. L. Bilbro offered the following resolution:

Whereas, the recent running of Sunday excursions from Goldsboro to Morehead City has grown in interest and is attracting considerable patronage among the masses, thereby increasing the temptation to Sabbath desecration, which is a violation of divine law; Therefore be it

Resolved First, That we, the Neuse Baptist Association, enter our protest, and condemn this running of Sunday trains as a growing evil, unworthy of the patronage of a Christian public.

Second, That we request the pastors of the Neuse Association to advise their members against such, and use their influence against this growing evil.

W. L BILBRO.

J. B. Newton made a motion to amend as follows: "That W. F. Fry be appointed to acquaint the Methodist Conference, that is soon to meet in Goldsboro, of the passing by our body of such a resolution, and to take any other steps toward carrying out the sentiment of the resolution that he may deem discreet and wise."

Elder J. B. Newton reads the report on Sunday Schools.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

One of the qualifications of a bishop, or preacher, is, "apt to teach," I Tim. 3:2. Unless we have more preachers who are "apt to teach" the work of teaching the Scriptures must of necessity be neglected. To supply this need Sunday Schools come in as the teaching agency of our churches. Every church should have as early as practicable a well organized and equipped Sunday-school for the intelligent teaching of God's Word. Every member of the church should find a place in this Bible school. This school primarily should be for the edification of the Lord's people; secondarily, for saving a lost world.

In every instance where it can be done let Sunday School annexes be added to our church houses for the children and as early as possible let these be supplied with Bible pictures, Maps, Bibles, and libraries. The one place interesting to the Christian should be the place where God's Word is taught. Likewise should the place be inviting to the worldling. A Sunday school Missionary and Colporter would be a benediction in this section. We recommend that our schools get through our Book Store of Ralegih, N. C., the Southern Baptist Convention series of literature published at Nashville, Tenn.

J. B. NEWTON.

B. W. Spilman made a helpful and stimulating talk on "Some Tests of a Good Sunday School."

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Executive Committee provide for an Institute for the study of the Bible and Sunday school methods at such time and place as the Committee may select.

On motion of Prof. Lineberry, B. W. Spilman was made a member of this special committee to help in carrying out the plan suggested in the resolution.

G. E. Lineberry reads the report on Aged Ministers' Relief and makes an excellent speech in discussing the report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF.

The Baptist State Convention elects yearly a board consisting of nine members who are known as the Aged Ministers' Relief Board. This board is located in Durham, and as the name indicates, its duty is to furnish aid to ministers who by reason of age or disease are no longer able to earn a support for themselves and families.

Each applicant for aid is not only required to state clearly his needs, but also to secure the endorsement of the Moderator and the Executive Committee of his Association.

This Board very wisely furnishes aid to these old ministers at their homes so that they are not required to break the ties that bind to home and loved ones. With the old or diseased these ties are especially strong. This is also the cheapest way to take care of them as $50 per year is the usual amount required.

Of all the funds collected one third is used as a permanent investment, while the remaining two thirds and the interest of the one third invested is used.

Nearly all secret orders care for their helpless. Shall a Christian church allow those who have been pioneers in the work and who have not only given, so unselfishly, their time and talent, but all earthly possessions to the Master's cause to go begging or to suffer for the necesaries of life?

May God help us to realize our obligation to these, our brethren, and to see that in ministering unto one of the least of these we are ministering unto our blessed Saviour.

G. E. LINEBERRY.

Report adopted and pledges made by all the Churches. (See table of finance.)

Report on Foreign Missions was read by G. N. Cowan.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

After our Lord's resurrection He spent about forty days instructing his disciples before his return to the Father. Would not He command His disciples to do that which was of supreme concern to his heart? It was during this time that He said to His disciples, "Go ye into all the world." This is the doctrine of mission as set forth by our Lord.

We are gratified to note that missions so clearly taught in God's word is being emphasized in many more of our pulpits than formerly, and churches which were Missionary in name and theory have become missionary in practice. This is shown by the marked increase in contributions which many of our churches are making. We rejoice to see the churches developing into a newer and better state in the Lord's service; knowing that it means more laborers at the front, where the fields are white unto harvest. Yet, the contributions are not large enough to enable the Board to send out all worthy men and women who annually make application.

By Foreign Missions, we mean the work done by our board in Mexico, Italy, Brazil, Africa, China, and Japan. In all but one of these countries, Japan, there is an excellent Theological Training School in which native Christians are better prepared to do evangelistic work. This work is important. The nations must largely be evangelized by the work of men of their own language and blood.

Our publication societies in China and Brazil are doing a great work in supplying the people of Foreign lands with Bibles, Testaments, tracts, religious papers, pamphlets and religious books.

Some fifteen men and women were sent out last year. The Board could have sent out more than these, if the money had been supplied. The cry from many of our fields is "more men." What shall we say to these calls from the front?

We are thankful that we can report larger things for the past year than for any previous year of our history. The different fields report 1,790 baptisms last year. God opened the hearts of our people to give $218,512.62, more than $45000 over the previous year. Our beloved Secretary, R. J. Willingham, says we should raise a quarter of a million dollars for this work.

Last year this Association pledged $167.50. If our pledge had governed some of us in our contributions for this work we would indeed have a small showing. I am glad to say we have given much more than our pledge. Yet we cannot say that we have abounded in our gifts.

The Foreign Mission Journal should be more widely read. We commend it to you as one of the best ways to inform yourself upon what we are doing abroad. We would also urge the pastors to sow down their fields with Mission tracts.

Brethren, let us go forward.

GEO. N. COWAN,
For the Committee.

The report was discussed by Brother Cowan and pledges taken, which show a very *decided* increase,

G. N. Cowan read the following report of C. W. Blanchard, General Missionary of the Association:

During the past year I have given two Sundays in the month and nearly three weeks of my time to the Mission and Educational work of the Neuse Association. This time has been spent in helping to nourish the churches without pastors and in aiding the Missionary rallies and revival services, as well as a special and general campaign for Winterville High School.

Besides I have served as pastor one Sunday in the month the Winterville church, cultivating in connection with this a Mission point at Tucker's School House about seven miles from Winterville.

The Greene county field has doubtless suffered much through the entire year for lack of pastoral service. Rev. S. W. Oldham will begin his pastoral services on this field Nov. 1st and with his strong help the field will again take up its march of prosperity. Mission rallies have been held with nearly all the weak churches at which I have been present and lent a helping hand. The Campaign, recently waged for Winterville School debt has been signally successful so far as it has gone. The churches in Jones county, the First Church at Goldsboro and Spring Garden have not been visited, nor have they formally responded to this call. I would recommend that an arrangement be made by your body in session to continue this work for another month till all the churches shall be visited, unless they shall assume the apportionment allotted to them at your present sitting. The campaign has assured success in the plan to raise the debt on the School by installment if these churches respond. With the hardest years work of my life just behind me, I now lay down the work of General Missionary for your Association with many regrets that I could not have been worth much more to the cause I am serving. Praying heaven's richest blessings upon you, I am,

Your brother in Christ,
C. W. BLANCHARD.

The report was adopted.

The following resolution was then passed:

Realizing the great blessing Winterville High School is to the Baptist cause in Eastern Carolina and what a calmity it would be to us, should we lose the school to the Neuse Baptist Association. Therefore, be it,

Resolved, That this Association appoint brethren G. N. Cowan, W. F. Fry,

J. B. Jackson and B. W. Spillman a Committee to carry out the plan of the July Union Meeting held at Seven Springs or any change or addition to said plan as they may deem best, to pay the debt on the Winterville High School and thereby secure the liberal offer of Bro. A. G. Cox.

A unanimous vote of thanks to the people of Polloksville and community for the hospitable way in which they had cared for the Association was then passed.

The Finance Committee and Treasurer submit their reports.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Received for State Missions	$	11 02
Received for Home Missions		13 00
Received for Foreign Missions		17 59
Received for General Missionary		70 48
Received for Orphanage		34 59
Received for Orphanage by cash collection		4 65
Received for Ministerial Education		18 70
Received for Ministerial Relief		14 10
Received for Minute Fund		34 45
Total	$	218 58
Receipts from Treasurer	$	218 58

G. E. LINEBERRY,
T. A. BELL.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF NEUSE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Receipts.

Balance on hand 1902 to 1903	$	261 62
From Finance Committee		218 58
Total receipts	$	480 20

Disbursements.

To Treasurer of Baptist State Convention	$	194 40
To Treasurer of Minister's Relief Fund		16 67
To minute fund		37 30
To Maysville church		12 25
To State Sunday School Board at Raleigh		1 00
Total disbursements	$	261 62
Amount on hand	$	218 58

A. G. COX, Treasurer.

The collection to supplement the Minute Fund was then taken, amounting to three dollars and ten cents.

On motion, the Association adjourns to meet with Mt. Nelson Baptist Church on Tuesday after the third Lord's Day in October, nineteen hundred and four.

DR. W. W. WHITTINGTON,
Moderator.

W. F. FRY, Clerk.

THE WOMAN'S MEETING.

A goodly number of ladies young and old attended the annual meeting of W. M. U of Neuse Association which was held in the Presbyterian church of Polloksville on Wednesday, Oct. 21st, at 3 o'clock p. m.

Mrs. S. E. Garner acted as Secretary. After singing "Come Thou Fount," &c., the 15th chapter of John was read by the Vice-President and prayer offered by Mrs. Haywood.

The leaflet "What is in thy hand" was read and is the sentiment commended to every woman in Mission Society and, in church as well. It is furnished by our Mission Literature Department.

Letters of greeting and encouragement were read from our State President, Miss Heck, and the Secretaries of our Home and Foreign Boards. The Foreign Mission Journal was recommended to all who are interested in Mission work, as it not only furnishes monthly programs for Woman's and Band Societies, but gives photographs and sketches of newly appointed missionaries as well as letters from those already on the different fields, telling of their work, its difficulties and successes.

The Societies at Polloksville, Winterville, Fort Barnwell and Goldsboro 1st Church were represented by delegates who brought reports of their work for the past year, and Kinston "which excelled them all" was only reported by letter.

The amount contributed by these Societies as shown by the financial reports, aggregated a little more than five hundred dollars, in which was included two boxes to Frontier Missionaries.

We regret that we have no new Societies to add to our roll and would bespeak the active interest and co-operation of all our pastors in fostering those already begun, and their aid in organizing others wherever it is possible.

Mrs. Garner read an interesting and helpful paper on Sunbeam work, which was followed by a sweet song "Jesus wants me for a Sunbeam," by little Annie Whitty.

Several letters from Missionaries of our Southern Baptist Convention were read by as many young ladies and the meeting closed with prayer and the hymn "Let us stand up for Jesus."

MRS. H. L. GRANT, Vice Pres. W. M. U.

MRS. S. E. GARNER, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF MISSIONS TO THE NEUSE ASSOCIATION.

Dear Brethren:—It is with much pleasure that the Central Committee reports a most prosperous year's work. The Woman's Missionary Societies connected with our Baptist Churches have increased in number, knowledge and liberality.

For the year closing December, 1902, 369 societies reported $11,003.13 for Home, State and Foreign Missions, this being an increase of $1,236.74 over the previous year. This makes a total of $83,923.19 contributed through the Woman's Missionary Societies of our State since the organization of the Central Committee in 1886. When we remember that there were only fourteen societies in 1886, we can appreciate what a remarkable work we have been permitted to do. We however, believe what we have done but the beginning of the larger things reserved for us in the future.

Our monied aim for 1903 is to give $12,000 to Home, State and Foreign Missions, and the Motto of the societies for the year is "All from God, all for God—whose I am and whom I serve."

We would again ask the assistance of the ministers of this Association in the organization and encouragement of Woman's Missionary Societies in their churches, and especially call their attention to the necessity of the children being taught the great principles of missions through the Missionary Sunbeam

Societies. If the children are not trained now while their hearts are young and impressionable, the church of twenty years hence will utterly fail to meet the overwhelming opportunities for the extension of God's kingdom which will be thrust upon them. We have not found any church where a Sunbeam Missionary Society might not be carried on with great profit, provided one earnest woman can be found to gather and teach the children.

For the year December, 1901-1902, the societies of your Association reported through the Woman's Central Committee, for Home, State and Foreign Missions $404.10.

Respectfully submitted,

FANNIE E. S. HECK,
For Woman's Central Committee of Missions.

CONSTITUTION OF THE NEUSE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association shall be known as the Neuse Baptist Association.

2. Its object shall be to extend the privileges of the gospel and liberal culture to all the people within its bounds, and by hearty co-operation with the Baptist State Convention, to help offer these privileges to all mankind in and out of the bounds by the cordial co-operation of all the churches constituting this body.

3. It shall be composed of the pastors in active service in the Association and such delegates as shall be annually elected by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates unless the membership shall exceed fifty, and then an additional delegate for every twenty-five members, provided, no church shall have more than eight delegates, female representatives exercising the privileges that would be granted them at the business meetings of their churches.

4. The "New Hampshire Declaration of Faith" shall be the summary of Divine Truth for determining questions of faith and order in this body, and the churches desiring membership in it must commit themselves to the substance of it together with the Covenant therewith submitted and this Constitution.

5. This Association shall not have power to annul the discipline or exercise authority over any church connected with it, but it may advise with and sever its connection with any church that neglects to preserve gospel order, or that treats with contempt the objects or advice of the Association.

6. Each church shall send to the annual meetings of the Association a letter (the blanks to be furnished by the Clerk of the Association) carefully filled as per blank suggestions, stating the full work of the church for the year ending with the close of the month previous to the one in which the Association is held.

7. The Association shall foster State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, the Aged Minister's Relief Board, the Thomasville Orphanage, and the Sunday-School Board, and each church shall be requested to contribute to the support of these objects annually.

8. Missions and Education shall have precedence in their claims upon the consideration of this body in its regular sessions.

9. Whenever a church shall fail to be represented by delegates or letter at the annual sessions of the Association, or shall fail to contribute to the objects fostered by the Association, inquiry shall be made for the cause, efforts shall be made to induce such a church to do its duty, and the effort shall be continued till the church is recovered or dropped from the roll.

10. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Historian, and a Treasurer, elected annually by ballot, from among its members, to serve until their successors shall have been elected and to perform the duties usual to such officers, namely, the Moderator in presiding, or Vice Moderator in his absence, over the meetings, the Clerk in recording and preserving minutes and other papers belonging to the body, the Treasurer in receiving and disbursing funds belonging to or entrusted to the body according to its will, the Historian in keeping a contin-

uous record of the work and progress of the entire Association and making an annual report of same to each of its sessions.

11. The Association shall appoint annually an Executive Committee of three (3) from its members, who shall be intrusted with the prosecution of missions in the Association, and any other work for the interest of the Master's Kingdom which may be referred to them. This Committee shall, as far as possible, co-operate with the State Mission Board in supplying the destitution in our territory, and between the meetings of the Association take such action as may seem to them advisable for the advancement of its interests. The Committee shall present to the Association at its annual meeting a report of all its proceedings, with the names of the Missionaries supported on the field, time of service, and detail of their work, together with such recommendations as in the judgment of the Committee the Association should follow in planning its subsequent work.

12. The annual sessions of the Association shall begin on Tuesday after the third Lord's day in October at such place as may be chosen, and an introductory sermon shall be delivered on the first day of the session. Representatives from a majority of the churches constituting the Association shall be a quorum.

13. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

14. Provisions shall be made at each annual Association for a session of the Woman's Central Committee and all other necessary encouragement offered for the enlargement of the organized work of the Woman's Missionary Societies in the local churches. The proceedings of the Woman's Central Committee shall be recorded as a part of the minutes of the Association.

BY-LAWS.

1. The daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Delegates shall be recognized by letters from their churches designating them as such.

3. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or the delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand.

4. The report of the Executive Board and the Missionary work of the Association, shall take precedence of all other business during the morning session of the second day of the annual session.

5. The Clerk shall record and read the proceedings when called for, superintend the publication and distribution of the Minutes, preserve a file of them, and have it present at each annual session, and deliever to his successor all papers belonging to the body.

6. Members desiring to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "brother" in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe the courtesy that becomes Christians.

7. Members shall not absent themselves from the session without permission.

8. The roll of members shall be called at least once and absentees marked.

9. Corresponding messengers and visiting brethren shall be invited to seats, with privilege of speaking but not of voting.

10. A copy of the minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board; the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention; the American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia; the Sunday-School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Thomasville Orphanage.

11. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by Kerfoot's Parliamentary Law.

PLEDGES FOR 1903-1904.

CHURCHES.	Ministerial Relief.	Orphanage.	State Missions	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Totals.
Antioch	$ 6 00	$ 22 50	$ 65 00	$ 10 00	$ 10 00	$ 20 00	$ 133 50
Ayden	2 50	5 00	25 00	4 00	5 00	5 00	46 50
Castoria	1 50	4 00	10 00	2 00	4 00	2 50	24 00
Cove	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	8 50
Davis Grove	1 00	3 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	13 00
Dover	1 00	1 00	4 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	10 50
Emmaus	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	7 00
Falling Creek	3 00	7 00	12 00	3 00	5 00	2 00	32 00
Fort Barnwell	2 50	5 00	15 00	5 00	7 50	2 00	37 00
Fremont	1 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	2 50	16 50
Goldsboro, First Church	15 00	85 00	150 00	30 00	100 00	30 00	410 00
Goldsboro, Second Church	2 00	5 00	12 00	3 00	3 00	2 50	27 50
Kinston	15 00	100 00	175 00	75 00	300 00	25 00	690 00
La Grange	5 00	25 00	20 00	6 00	7 50	5 00	68 50
Maysville	2 00	3 00	7 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	19 00
Mt. Calvary	1 00	2 00	5 00	1 00	2 50	1 00	12 50
Mt. Nelson	1 00	4 00	7 50	1 00	1 50	1 00	16 00
New Bern, Tabernacle	10 00	100 00	50 00	35 00	50 00	7 00	252 00
New Hope	2 00	5 00	20 00	4 00	3 00	2 00	36 00
Piney Grove	1 00	2 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	15 00
Polloksville	3 00	5 00	20 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	45 00
Sandy Bottom	1 00	2 00	5 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	13 00
Seven Springs	1 00	3 00	10 00	3 00	2 50	2 00	21 50
Snow Hill	1 50	5 00	10 00	2 00	5 00	1 00	24 50
Spring Garden	2 00	2 00	12 50	2 00	3 00	2 00	23 50
Trenton	1 50	1 50	7 50	1 00	1 50	2 00	15 00
Union	3 00	3 00	10 00	2 00	2 50	2 00	22 50
Totals	$ 87 50	$ 407 00	$ 671 50	$ 210 00	$ 537 50	$ 126 50	$2040 00

CHURCHES AND PASTORS.	CLERKS AND ADDRESSES.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity of Church.	Preaching Sabbath.	Baptisms.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dism'd by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Number of Males.	Number of Females.	Total Membership.
Antioch—C. W. Blanchard	C. J. Jackson, Winterville	$ 1000 00	350	4th	8	9	3	6	1	1	37	49	86
Ayden—W. L. Bilbro	C. L. Tyson, Ayden	750 00	300	2d							11	23	34
Castoria—S. W. Oldham		500 00	150										
Cove—J. B. Newton	T. B. Ipock, Cove	400 00	200	4th				5	1		2	8	10
Davis Grove—S. W. Oldham	Dr. W. W. Whittington, Bull Head	800 00	250	1st					2	1	10	18	28
Dover—J. B. Newton		100 00		2d				4	4		5	5	10
Emmaus—J. B. Jackson	J. C. Edwards, Dudley	450 00	400										
Falling Creek—J. B. Jackson	G. P. Britt, Goldsboro	500 00	200	2d	5	2			3	4	39	48	87
Fort Barnwell—J. B. Newton	J. W. Lane, Fort Barnwell	500 00	200	3d	3		2				25	27	52
Fremont—J. B. Jackson	C. C. Teague, Fremont	65 00		4th	1	3					2	9	11
Goldsboro, 1st—W. F. Fry	J. M. Hollowell, Goldsboro	10000 00	600	Every	38	22		18	5	2	132	191	323
Goldsboro, 2d—J. B. Jackson	J, W. Sadler, Goldsboro	750 00	250	1st & 3d				2	2	1	23	51	74
Kinston—G. N. Cowan	R. H. Lewis, Kinston	17000 00	650	Every	7	35	4	9	6	5	82	169	251
La Grange—S. W. Oldham	G. L. Capell, La Grange	2000 00	500	4th	5	1	2	2	2	2	19	41	60
Maysville—S. E. Garner	U. E. Eubank, Maysville	400 00	300	3d		3		1			10	11	21
Mt. Calvary—J. B. Jackson	R. A. Parker, Calypso	150 00	200					1			10	8	18
Mt. Nelson—J. B Jackson	Mrs. Alice Strother, Eureka	700 00	400		1						4	22	26
New Bern, Tab.—M P. Davis	W. C. Brick, New Bern	5000 00	400	Every	12	4	1	5	1		31	36	67
New Hope—W. L. Bilbro	W. E. Sutton, Kinston	400 00	250	3d							14	27	41
Piney Grove—S. E. Garner	A. D. Kellum, Piney Grove	500 00	300	2d	3	1				1	29	49	78
Polloksville—S. E. Garner	T. A. Bell, Polloksville	500 00	300	4th	4	1		3			18	34	52
Sandy Bottom—W. L. Bilbro	Rudolph Croom, Kinston	250 00	200	1st		2		1			6	9	15
Seven Springs—W. L. Bilbro	S. D. Byrd, Seven Springs	700 00	250	4th		1			1		15	20	35
Snow Hill—S. W. Oldham	Parham Taylor, Snow Hill	600 00	400	2d		1		1		1	11	18	29
Spring Garden—J. B. Newton	Mrs. Roberta Carman, New Bern	400 00	200	1st	2						4	8	12
Trenton—S. E. Garner	C. C. Perry, Trenton												
Union—W. L. Bilbro	W. W. Rouse, Strabane	500 00	200	1st							11	19	30

SCHOOLS.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	No. Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers Taken.	Months Open.	Average Attendance.	Baptisms from Schools.	Contributions for all Objects.
Antioch	A. G. Cox, Winterville	9	122	131	...	200	12	86	7	$ 38 55
Ayden	W. C. Jackson, Ayden	5	40	45	....	100	12	35	..	30 60
Castoria		....	.....	.....	...	.....	..	...	....	.....
Cove		....	.....	.....	...	.....	..	...	....	.....
Davis Grove	W. W. Whittington, Bull Head	3	30	33	....	40	6	30	....	10 00
Dover		...	.....	.....	...	.....	..	..	...	.....
Emmaus		..	.....	.....	...	.....	..	...	....	.....
Falling Creek	J. B. Grantham, Goldsboro, R. F. D. No. 4	6	68	74	40	75	12	50	4	10 00
Fort Barnwell	M. D. Lane, Fort Barnwell	6	60	66	...	73	12	30	..	11 60
Fremont	C. C. Teague, Fremont	7	136	143	....	100	6	72	....	8 86
Goldsboro, First Church	Fulton Hall, Goldsboro	20	192	212	...	250	12	145	32	111 50
Goldsboro, Second Church	J. J. Robinson, Goldsboro	10	86	96	...	120	12	70	....	.....
Kinston	J. J. Rogers, Kinston	20	186	206	185	400	12	140	2	148 00
La Grange	W. H. Burke, La Grange	5	32	37	....	57	12	25	2	21 58
Maysville	J. E. McCutchen, Maysville	6	50	56	....	.....	11	40	...	4 00
Mt. Calvary		....	.....	.....	...	.....	..	...	....	.....
Mt. Nelson	S. S. Strother, Eureka	4	40	44	....	50	12	30	..	3 00
New Bern, Tabernacle	T. J. Mitchell, New Bern	10	100	110	....	327	12	62	8	257 11
New Hope	E. O. Moore, Kinston	7	50	57	..	40	12	35	....	6 00
Piney Grove	J. C. Parker, Olivers	6	20	26	....	32	6	20	3	.....
Polloksville	T. A. Bell, Polloksville	7	37	44	50	40	12	22	...	32 30
Sandy Bottom	J. J. Croom, Kinston	5	40	45	....	39	12	29	....	5 56
Seven Springs	G. G. Quinn, Seven Springs	4	40	44	20	25	12	20	....	3 25
Snow Hill		....	.....	.....	...	.....	..	...	....	.....
Spring Garden	Alex. Watson, New Bern	5	30	35	....	35	9	15	...	6 00
Trenton		....	.....	.....	...	.....	..	...	...	.....
Union	T. E. Elmore, Strabane	8	40	48	....	50	12	30	....	.....

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PRESIDENT AND POST OFFICE	Number of Members.	Contributed to all Objects.
Antioch	Mary J. Carroll, Winterville	31	$ 35 13
Falling Creek	Mrs. G. M. Warrick, Goldsboro. R.F.D. No. 4	11	7 80
Fort Barnwell	Mrs. J. B Newton, Fort Barnwell	12	19 00
Goldsboro—1st	Mrs S. D. Petteway, Goldsboro	38	141 25
Goldsboro—2d	Mrs. R. J. Hardison, Goldsboro	12	7 05
Kinston	Mrs. R. H. Lewis, Kinston	30	244 05
New Bern—Tab.	Miss R. Amelia Williams, James City	12	52 00
Polloksville	Mrs. S. E Garner, Polloksville	10	19 15
Snow Hill	Mrs. Mary McKee, Snow Hill	14	10 40
Spring Garden	Mrs. A. E. Weathersby, New Bern.	10	.....
Totals	.....	180	$ 535 87

YOUNG LADIES' AID SOCIETY.—Statistics.

Kinston	Miss Clara Wooten, Kinston	12	.....

LADIES' AID SOCIETY.—Statistics.

Kinston	Mrs. E. F. Cox, Kinston	49	$ 50 00

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.—Statistics.

Kinston	L. R Varsar, Kinston	75	$ 5 00

SUNBEAMS.—Statistics.

Antioch	Roy T. Cox, Winterville	45	$ .....
Fort Barnwell	Miss Eva Pittman, Fort Barnwell	38	24 00
Kinston	Mrs. G. N Cowan, Kinston	....	.....
New Bern—Tab.	Mrs. Julia Duffy, New Bern	17	16 60
Polloksville	Mrs. S. E. Garner, Polloksville	9	4 79
Total	.....	109	$ 45 39

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

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Vice-Moderator—J. W. Nobles.....Pollocksville, N. C.
Clerk—S. W. Oldham.....LaGrange, N. C.
Treasurer—A. G. Cox.....Winterville, N. C.
Historian—G. N. Cowan.....Kinston, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Home Missions... W. P. Campbell. Education..... W. L. Bilbro.
Foreign Missions.... G. N. Cowan. Periodicals..... J. B. Jackson.
State Missions ..... W. F. Fry. Temperance..... G. E. Lineberry.
Orphanage.....J. W. Nobles. Aged Ministers' Relief. S. W. Oldham.
Sunday Schools.....B. W. Spilman.
Church Building.....Executive Committee with G. E. Lineberry.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Pastor Antioch Church, Executive Committee of Neuse Association, Male Members of the Faculty of Winterville High School.

MINISTERIAL REGISTER.

W. L. Bilbro.....Fort Barnwell, N. C.
G. N. Cowan.....Kinston, N. C.
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W. F. Fry.....Goldsboro, N. C.
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B. W. Spilman.....Kinston, N. C.
T. H. King.....Ayden, N. C.

LIST OF MESSENGERS.

Antioch—A. G. Cox, G. E. Lineberry.
Ayden—By Letter.
Castoria—Mrs. Bettie Beaman, Miss Minnie Cox, Jesse Moore.
Cove—By Letter.
Davis Grove—W. W. Whittington, J. H. Williams, Mrs. Rosa Williams, Simon Corbett.
Dover—By Letter.
Emmaus—By Letter.
Falling Creek—G. P. Britt, Job Warrick, Grover Hood.
Fort Barnwell—E. B. Wooten.
Fremont—C. C. Teague, Miss Dida Davis, Miss Lillie Shackleford.
Goldsboro, 1st Church—J. E. Peterson, F. R. Hall, W. F. Fry, Mrs. S. D. Petteway, Mrs. H. L. Grant.
Goldsboro, 2nd Church—J. B. Jackson.
Kinston—G. N. Cowan, B. W. Spilman.
LaGrange—S. W. Oldham.
Maysville—By Letter.
Mount Calvary—George H. Parker.
Mount Nelson—S. S. Strother, M. E. Britt.
New Bern, Tabernacle—By Letter.
New Hope—C. R. Turner, Mrs. Mary Grady.
Piney Grove—Miss Grace McDaniel.
Polloksville—J. W. Nobles.
Sandy Bottom—J. J. Croom.
Seven Springs—W. P. Campbell.
Snow Hill—By Letter.
Spring Garden—W. R. Pate.
Trenton—Miss Dora Taylor, Miss Annie Waters.
Union—By Letter.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—Morning Session.

The sixth Annual Session of the Neuse Baptist Association convened with the Mt. Nelson Church, Tuesday, October 18th, 1904, at 11 o'clock a. m.

The Moderator being absent, Vice-Moderator J. B. Jackson called the meeting to order.

The list of Churches was called and Messengers enrolled.

The Association went into the election of officers for the present year.

C. C. Teague was elected Moderator; J. W. Nobles, Vice-Moderator; S. W. Oldham, Clerk; A. G. Cox, Treasurer; G. N. Cowan, Historian.

The Moderator appointed J. B. Jackson, W. F. Fry and G. N. Cowan a committee on Order of Business.

The following visiting brethren were recognized: Elder S. F. Conrad, representing the *North Carolina Baptist;* Elder J. S. Farmer, traveling agent for the *Biblical Recorder;* Elder H. C. Moore, Sunday School Secretary of the Baptist State Convention.

The Committee on Order of Business made a partial report:

2:30. Devotional Service.
2:45. Aged Ministers' Relief.
3:15. Periodicals.
3:45. Miscellaneous Business.
4:00. Adjournment.
7:30. Introductory Sermon by W. F. Fry.

Pastor J. B. Jackson welcomed the Association.

The response was made by brother G. N. Cowan.

A motion to adjourn was carried and the benediction was pronounced by brother J. W. Nobles.

FIRST DAY—Afternoon Session.

The Association re-assembled according to adjournment, at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

Devotional exercises were conducted by brother J. W. Nobles. Scripture lesson, 23rd Psalm.

In the absence of brother T. J. Mitchell, the Committee, the Clerk read the

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

This board is elected at the Baptist State Convention during the annual meeting. The board is located at Durham, and its duties are to look after

the welfare and comfort of the aged ministers of our denomination who are no longer able to earn a support for themselves.

Each applicant for aid is required to state clearly his needs, also to furnish endorsement from his own Association. These brethren are allowed to remain at their homes and receive there such aid as the Board can furnish, consequently the home ties are not broken, and the cost of caring for them is possibly less in this way than any other, it being only about fifty dollars a year.

All funds collected for this purpose go into the hands of the board. One third of this amount is reserved as an endowment fund, the other two thirds used for current expenses, also the interest on the one third is used in the same way.

This work claims a first place in the hearts of all our people and stands right along beside our great work at Thomasville where we provide for the homeless children. May the great privilege of abundantly laying our offerings upon this altar strongly appeal to every heart.

"Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

THOMAS J. MITCHELL.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by W. F. Fry, G. N. Cowan and J. S. Farmer.

The list of Churches was called and pledges made. (See table of pledges.)

Brother A. G. Cox read the report on Periodicals.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The power of the press means much to us as a denomination, and we are glad that we can claim such great power as a denomination, in the printing presses now under our control.

The "Biblical Recorder," published at Raleigh under the managemnet of J. W. Bailey, is a great honor to the Baptists of our State and should have our full support in every measure possible.

The "North Carolina Baptist," published at Fayetteville, comes to us as a great soul stirrer. It has laboured hard to strengthen the brotherhood, build up temperance, and lead our young along useful lines, and we recommend it to the homes of our people.

"Charity and Children," published at Thomasville in the home of our dear orphans, is always a good and welcome visitor in our homes and Sunday schools. It stands as a great friend for the orphans and we can't speak too tenderly for it and its faithful editor, Rev. Archibald Johnson.

"The Atlantic Messenger" has a prominent place in the movings of our Association, and is a medium through which the work of this Association can be kept before its members. We are also glad that it can serve as a Messenger from our parent Association, the Atlantic. Let us stand by the Messenger as the source of Associational help and we will make no mistake.

We recommend the purchasing and using the Sunday school literature distributed through the Baptist book store at Raleigh.

The Foreign Mission Journal and the literature of our Home Mission Board should be kept before us that we may better understand our great duty to those in a distant land.

A. G. COX, Committee.

Pending a motion to adopt, the subject was discussed by J. S. Farmer, S. F. Conrad, G. N. Cowan, H. C. Moore and A. G. Cox.

The following report on Order of Business was read and adopted:

Wednesday.

9:30. Devotional Service.
9:45. Miscellaneous Business.
10:00. Foreign Missions.
10:45. Report of Executive Committee, Committee on Church Building and Extension in the Neuse Association, and Reports of Missionaries and Colporter.
11:45. State Missions.
12:30. Adjournment.
2:30. Sunday Schools.
3:15. Orphanage.
4:00. Adjournment.
7:30. Woman's Work and Temperance.

Thursday.

9:30. Prayer and Praise.
10:00. Miscellaneous Business.
10:15. Education.
11:00. Home Missions.
11:30. Concluding Business.
Adjourn at will.

J. B. JACKSON,
W. F. FRY,
G. N. COWAN.

The Moderator announced the following Committees:

Enrollment—C. C. Teague, S. W. Oldham.
Order of Business—J. B. Jackson, W. F. Fry, G. N. Cowan.
Finance Committee—M. E. Britt, W. W. Whittington.
Digest of Church Letters—J. B. Jackson, G. P. Britt.
To Nominate Delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions—W. F. Fry, S. S. Strother, J. J. Croom,
To Nominate Members to Fill Vacancies on Board of Trustees of Winterville High School—A. G. Cox, J. H. Williams.
To Nominate Executive Committee—J. W. Nobles, S. W. Oldham.
Obituaries—G. N. Cowan, G. E. Lineberry.
On Place and Preacher—J. B. Jackson, W. P. Campbell, W. R. Pate.

Brother J. B. Jackson asked to be allowed to make the digest of church letters and hand to the Clerk after the Association adjourns.

On motion, the request is granted.

On motion, adjourned.

FIRST DAY—Night Session.

At 7:30 the Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder W. F. Fry from Phil. 2: 5-8, "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus," etc.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

Devotional exercises were conducted at 9:30 by brother W. P. Campbell.

Minutes of morning, afternoon and night sessions were read and approved.

The Association was glad to recognize brother M. P. Davis, formerly of this, now of the Tar River Association.

Brother J. B. Jackson read the

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The forty days that our Lord spent on earth, after the resurrection, seem to have been spent principally to impart to the disciples, and to those that should come after them, this one great doctrine: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

It is surprising that as plain as Foreign Missions is taught in the Bible, that there should be any one that would oppose this great doctrine. In addition to anti-mission churches, we have anti-mission members in belief and practice in our own churches. What is the trouble? I believe I can answer in a sentence. They do not read God's word. If they would only read His word they would find that He is the author of Missions. He calls all who love Him to the work of giving the gospel in all the world to every creature. Do you love Him? If you do you are called to help in this work.

At present, nineteen centuries after Christ came, we find two-thirds of the world in heathen darkness. There has been a great advance made in Christian work during the last century and it has brought glorious results in foreign lands, and blessed results in the churches in Christian lands. The different denominations have about fifteen thousand missionaries on the foreign field, and seventy-nine thousand native helpers.

The Lord has greatly blessed our Mission work, and for the last seven years at the Convention no debt was the report. During the last six years one hundred new missionaries have been sent out. Eleven were sent out last year. The following will give some idea of the advance in our work in six years:

1898—Missionaries, 76; Native Helpers, 117; Churches, 102; Baptisms, 701; Membership, 4,760; Contributions, $124,249.69.

1899—Missionaries, 82; Native Helpers, 128; Churches, 100; Baptisms, 845; Membership, 5,347; Contributions, $109,267.43.

1900—Missionaries, 94; Native Helpers, 133; Churches, 113; Baptisms, 1,341; Membership, 6,537; Contributions, $140,102.30.

1901—Missionaries, 102; Native Helpers, 171; Churches, 127; Baptisms, 1,009; Membership, 6,773; Contributions, $156,083.33.

1902—Missionaries, 115; Native Helpers, 171; Churches, 139; Baptisms, 1,439; Membership, 7,821; Contributions, $173,439.49.

1903—Missionaries, 127; Native Helpers, 192; Churches, 157; Baptisms, 1,790; Membership, 8,880; Contributions, $218,512.62.

1904—Missionaries, 138; Native Helpers, 215; Churches, 180; Baptisms, 2,076; Membership, 9,969; Contributions, $247,629.62.

At the Convention in 1898 we had a force of foreign and native workers of 193 and that year we rejoiced in 701 baptisms. We now have a force of 353 and praise God for 2,076 baptisms for the year. The contributions at that time were $124,249.69. The contributions last year amounted to $247,629.69. These figures speak for themselves. They show great progress along all lines.

We have Missions in China, Africa, Japan, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, and

Argentina. In China we have 31 churches, and 65 missionaries; in Africa 9 churches and 8 missionaries; in Italy, 27 churches and 3 missionaries; in Mexico, 46 churches and 21 missionaries; in Brazil, 60 churches and 24 missionaries; in Japan, 7 churches and 12 missionaries; in Argentina, no church has been organized yet, but we have five missionaries there. All these fields except Argentina have both ordained and unordained native helpers.

The publication societies in some of the countries are doing great good in supplying the people with Testaments, Bibles, tracts and religious literature in general.

The Foreign Mission Journal and Foreign Mission tracts are a great stimulus to our people. They should be more widely read.

Our Association pledged at the last Association $537.50 for Foreign Missions, but I feel sure that the reports from the churches will show that more than that has been given. I am glad that many of our people do not confine themselves to pledges, when it comes to giving.

J. B. JACKSON.

Pending a motion to adopt the following brethren took part in the discussion: J. B. Jackson, G. N. Cowan.

Brother G. E. Lineberry read the report from our Woman's Work in North Carolina, written by Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, of Raleigh.

The list of churches was called and pledges taken for Foreign Missions.

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, the Order of Business was so changed as to make the report on State Missions take the place of the report of the Executive Committee, etc.

Brother G. N. Cowan read the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We greatly rejoice in the fruit our State Mission work has borne. If all our people but knew the wonderful things this work has accomplished, surely they would enthusiastically arise to meet every demand for enlargement which the present situation requires at our hand.

In 1860 there were but four self-supporting churches in the State. At this same date most of the towns along the railroads running through our State were without a single Baptist church and many of them without any Baptist preaching. Now there is scarcely one of these towns without a Baptist church, and in some of them you will find our very strongest and best churches. But this is only a small part of what has been done. The messenger of the Cross, sustained by our Board of Missions, has pressed his way into the solitary place and destitute field far away from the centers of activity. The fact is State Missions has been, is, and must ever be the base of supply in all our denominational work. Wake Forest College, the Baptist University for Women, the Baptist Orphanage are the legitimate outcome of State Mission work.

Yet we are safe in saying, at least one third of the adult population of our State are not Christians. The commission of our Lord makes it binding upon us to give these the gospel. But this is not all. Heretofore the stream of foreign immigration has gone into the States north and west. But now the tide is turning southward. The vast resources of North Carolina and the rapid development of the same means that she will receive her full share of the comers. For the sake of these people themselves, for

our own sake, for the sake of Christ, we must give them the gospel.

Again, the Home Mission Board, is saying to North Carolina, "Enlarge—give us $12,000." The Foreign Mission Board is saying to North Carolina, "Enlarge—give us $20,000." To do this we must enlarge our State work. Enlargement at home means enlargement all along the line. It is not a question as to whether we ought to enlarge our State Mission work, or as to whether we are able to do it, but a question of willingness on our part. The responsibility is upon us. May God help us to meet it.

GEO. N. COWAN.

On motion to adopt the report, the subject was presented by brother Livingston Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of our Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

The roll of churches was called and pledges taken for State Missions.

Brother G. N. Cowan read the

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We are glad to report that one of the difficulties we, so often, have to contend with in considering our Associational work, has not troubled us very much this year. We have been fortunate in that a strong, earnest man was at work upon each field early in the Associational year. Taking the field over, we must say, we have been greatly blessed in the excellent quality of men we have been able to secure for the work on our several mission fields. Never has our work, with respect to the Missions themselves, had a stronger and safer leadership. Some of these men, at least, have come to us and labored with us at a great sacrifice but we hope in the end their reward for service will be the greater for the sacrifice they have made.

From the reports our brethren have handed in, we think the work on each field is in a reasonably good condition. There are many evidences of progress. On most of the fields the services have been well attended. In many instances much better than heretofore. There have been frequent baptisms, and, as we see it, a growing disposition on the part of the people at large to look with favor upon our work. We do not know that we are safe in saying that our people are growing in liberality. We hope they are, but the evidences of development in this respect, from year to year, are not in our judgment, as marked as they ought to be.

We deem it fitting also to make some mention of special phases of our work which at this time should receive our earnest consideration.

1. Church building. Our cause has suffered at many points for the lack of a house of worship. At Dover, Trenton and Fremont our work has not had the prestige it would have otherwise had. However, we are glad to report that at two of these points, Dover and Trenton, houses of worship are being erected. We wish to commend the faithful efforts of brethren Bilbro and Nobles in this matter. We hope at no distant day the sound of the hammer will be heard in Fremont to this end. We urge that the pressing need herein presented shall receive our earnest and prayerful attention. The churches without a place of worship that they can call their own should do their utmost and then appeal to the brethren.

2. Pastors' homes. We believe it would greatly enlarge the usefulness of our country pastors if, at some convenient point on each field, there were a pastor's home. For the lack of a pastor's home, some of our beloved missionaries have been put to much inconvenience this year. On this account one of our pastors thought, for some time, he would have to give up his work. I am advised by those who claim to understand the situation, that our cause in Greene county is suffering for the lack of a man living upon the field. This question arises, where is he going to live? Can he

afford to pay house rent on the small salary he receives? We believe it would mean much for the work, if the different churches would co-operate and build a neat pastor's home at some convenient point on their respective fields. It is our opinion that this matter has not been stressed in the past as it ought to have been. Once you have a home for your pastor, that is settled for years to come.

3. Colportage work. For some months Bro. J. W. Smith has been in this work. In our judgment this is very important. If wisely planned and energetically executed it is bound to result in great good. Our people must be taught. We need not fear the truth. The extensive circulation of good literature among our people cannot be too highly commended. The Colporter with tracts and books of our distinctive doctrines, polity and work, is a man to be gladly welcomed, when he comes our way.

4. Winterville School. We cannot close our report without making some mention of the place and work of our excellent school at Winterville. The fourth year of its history has now begun and that with the brightest prospects. We rejoice that so many of our boys and girls are there for study and instruction. The school, we think is under the wisest and best leadership. We would urge our people to lend to this a helping hand, while it is in its infancy. It is our child. Let us give to our own offspring our prayers. our sympathy, our money.

G. N. COWAN,
W. F. FRY,
A. G. COX.

A motion to adopt the report was carried.

Short accounts of the work of their respective mission fields were given by brethren J. W. Nobles, W. P. Campbell, S. W. Oldham and J. B. Jackson.

Moved that the Association adjourn till 2:30 p. m.

SECOND DAY—Afternoon Session.

At 2:30 brother G. E. Lineberry conducted a service of prayer and praise.

The discussion on report of Executive Committee, left over from the morning session, was again taken up.

Brother C. C. Teague made an earnest plea for help to build a house of worship for the church in Fremont.

Brother W. F. Fry made further suggestions, urging the necessity of building pastor's homes on the various mission fields in our Association.

Brother J. E. Peterson also spoke to the report, after which it was adopted.

Brother H. C. Moore read the report on Sunday Schools.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your committee, appointed to report on Sunday School work in Neuse Association, beg leave to submit the following:

We find, from last Sunday School statistics, that twenty churches out of the twenty-seven belonging to this Association have schools in operation,

They report a membership of 153 teachers, and 1,399 scholars. From these figures, we find that only about one in every fifteen of our membership is engaged in this very important work.

By comparing the statistics of two years ago with last report, we find a falling off in attendance of scholars. The New Bern Tabernacle brought to our Sunday school membership 100 scholars, and Fremont added a new school with 136 members—making in all 236—but this only increased our membership from 1,334 to 1,399 when it should have raised us to 1,570, and but for the coming of the Tabernacle school, and the new school at Fremont, we would have sustained a loss of 163 scholars. These figures indicate inactivity among our Sunday school workers. This state of affairs ought not to exist. We would urge upon our people the importance of enlisting every available man, woman, and child in our Sunday school ranks.

Surely there can be no excuse as to helps, literature, and wise counsel in the work. The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is prepared to supply every school with tracts, periodicals, lesson helps, and all sorts of Sunday school literature that may be needed by both teachers, and scholars—all of which we recommend to the support, and study, of our people in this Association.

We recommend the following

1. That a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to be our standing committee on Sunday schools.
2. That this committee have the general oversight of the Sunday-school interests of the Association.
3. That this committee be instructed to arrange, if possible, for a Sunday-school Institute in our territory during the coming year.
4. That the second fifth Sunday meeting in 1905 be devoted especially to Sunday-school work.
5. That each church in the Association be requested to make an offering each year to the support of the Baptist Sunday school work.

W. L. BILBRO.

On motion to adopt, addresses were made by brethren H. C. Moore, B. W. Spilman, W. P. Campbell and J. E. Peterson.

The report was adopted.

On motion of brother Jackson, the Order of Business was so altered as to make the report on Orphanage a special order for to-night.

The Committee on nomination of members of Executive Committee recommended the election of G. N. Cowan, W. F. Fry and A. G. Cox.

On motion, they were elected.

The Committee on Time, Place and Preacher of next session of the Neuse Association, offered the following:

Next session to be held with Ayden church, Ayden, N. C., beginning at 10:00 A. M., Tuesday after the third Lord's day in October, 1905.

To preach the Introductory Sermon, Elder G. N. Cowan.

J. B. JACKSON,
W. P. CAMPBELL,
W. R. PATE.

The recommendation was adopted.

On motion, adjourned.

SECOND DAY—Night Session.

Devotional services were led by brother M. P. Davis, at 7:30. Brother G. E. Lineberry read the

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage is located at Thomasville, N. C. It commenced operation in November, 1885, and has grown so rapidly with our people that, at present, it is taking care of 300 children and has a plant, the value of which (including invested fund) is $150,000.

There are nine separate homes and an excellent school building in which there is conducted a good graded school. There are also four departments of work for the boys: a farm, a printing office, a shoe shop, and a work shop. The shoe shop gives employment to three or four boys who are learning to be expert shoe makers. The farm furnishes employment for 100 boys and last year it cleared $2,000. The printing office keeps in training from three to five boys and last year this department put into the treasury $1,500.

The well on the Orphanage ground is 876 feet deep. This furnishes an abundant supply of water, and it is hoped that the town can soon be supplied from this well, which will bring in a good revenue.

The Board recently decided to put in a sewerage system, which will add much to this year's expense, but is an absolute necessity. It will require an increase of 25 per cent to meet this.

This Orphanage has no legislature or secret order to give it aid, but simply the offerings of Christian hearts.

The interest, arising from the Dennis Simmons fund of $100,000, will be devoted to the maintenance of the children at the Dennis Simmons House. The building will be enlarged to take care of 100 children, and this will exactly consume the $6,000 which the fund will bring, invested at 6 per cent.

The Chowan House is nearly completed. This will take care of 40 boys.

The Durham and Watson Houses are to be enlarged so, that it is safe to say, that, by the close of next year, we will be caring for 400 children at the Orphanage.

Let us see to it that every Sunday school in our Association gives, at least, one collection each month to the Orphanage. About 300 Baptist Sunday schools in this State are doing this now, and it is a great help to the work.

We can hardly overestimate the influence of the Orphanage on our denominational life. It unifies and calls out the best and tenderest feelings of our nature.

The scourge of typhoid fever through which it is passing has touched the heart of our denomination and enlarged the sympathies of our people.

Who that has studied the history of our Orphanage can doubt the goodness and mercy of God? It is the best exponent of the spirit of Christ.

G. E. LINEBERRY.

A motion to adopt was spoken to by G. E. Lineberry.

Brother G. N. Cowan led the Association in a special prayer for the blessings of God upon the afflicted children at Thomasville who are now suffering a scourge of typhoid fever.

A cash collection was taken for the Orphanage, amounting to $3.00.

The list of churches was called and pledges made. (See table of pledges.)

Brother B. W. Spilman made a helpful address on Woman's Work.

The report on Temperance was read by brother C. C. Teague.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Intemperance is by far the greatest curse that has ever blighted the human race and has caused more misery and anguish and woe, than the three great scourges of mankind, viz: War, Famine and Pestilence, for these miseries are only with us for a season, while the great evils caused by intemperance are ever casting their dark shadows of gloom across life's pathway, bringing to the once peaceful and happy homes of the human family many suffering widows and orphan children and filling prison cells with 90 per cent. of all its criminals—increasing Taxes—and at last filling drunkards' graves and the spending of the countless ages of eternity in a drunkards' hell. Some one has said, you let whiskey alone and it will let you alone. This is not true for its evil influences have blasted for time and eternity, countless thousands of our noblest young men, broken the hearts of millions of innocent women and children and brought the gray hairs of parents to the grave. We as Baptists should use all the powers we possess to over throw this monster, and drive him forever from our midst. The best way to abolish the liquor business is by the daily upright walk and conversation of Christian people. C. C. TEAGUE.

The report was adopted.

Brother W. F. Fry read the following resolution, which was passed unanimously:

Therefore be it Resolved

1. That we place ourselves on record as favoring the total abstinence from all forms of intoxicants.
2. That our pastors and churches continue to train the people in this direction.
3. That we commend the Watts law as a wise step in the right direction and pledge our efforts to make possible and practicable total prohibition in the State. W. F. FRY.

The Committee on nominating members to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees of Winterville High School recommend the election of brother F. L. Carr, of Castoria, N. C.

On motion, brother Carr was elected.

On motion, adjourned with benediction by brother J. W. Nobles.

THIRD DAY—Morning Session.

At 9:30 brother B. W. Spilman led the Association in prayer.

Minutes of yesterday's session was read and approved.

Brother G. N. Cowan was elected a member of the State Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

Brother Fry offered the following:

Your committee to nominate delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention and the Baptist State Convention report as follows: J. E. Peterson delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention with A. G. Cox, alternate. To the

Baptist State Convention brethren W. P. Campbell, C. C. Teague and S. W. Oldham.

W. F. FRY,
S. S. STROTHER,
J. J. CROOM.

Brother S. W. Oldham read the

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

There has never been so much need of a general awakening on the subject of education as at present. We are glad to note that our State is opening her half-closed eyes, and shaking her drowsy head, and is providing, as never before, for the general education of her sons and daughters.

But we are still in need of more interest in an education of the heart upon principles of right. This training of the hand, head, and heart for the best possible results, and for the highest achievements, we call Christian education.

The day has come when we, as Baptists, can not afford to neglect the education of our young people, nor can we leave this work to others who might do it improperly.

The Neuse Association should be especially interested in Winterville High School, the University for Women at Raleigh, and Wake Forest College. We look with pride upon these institutions and fondly hope that their achievements, great as they have already been, may be greatly increased each succeeding year of their existence.

Perhaps the most important part of our educational system is that of ministerial education. To neglect the proper training of those who are to be leaders of the churches means that every phase of our church work shall suffer. The Board of Education at Wake Forest has done, and is doing, a work whose value eternity alone can reveal, and is entitled to our hearty support.

S. W. OLDHAM, Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by S. W. Oldham, M. P. Davis and G. E. Lineberry, after which pledges were taken and the report adopted.

A motion was passed to have the discussion on the subject of Home Missions, without reading the report.

Brother B. W. Spilman delighted and instructed the Association with a helpful address on Home Missions.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board is the servant of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Board proposes that all the people in the territory occupied by the Convention shall have, at as early a day as possible, a chance to hear the gospel as Baptists believe and preach it. In addition to the Board's own independent work, in response to appeals from the State Boards, the Home Mission Board is assisting in mission work in something like eight or ten States.

The main work of the Board is on the frontier in the West, the mountain region, some of our largest cities, and judicious co-operation work among the negroes.

In addition to preaching of the gospel, building church houses, etc., the Board is doing a much needed and telling work by helping to establish and support Baptist schools at certain strategic points in the mountain territory embraced in the Convention.

Over six hundred missionaries are at work under the direction of the

Board and last year more than $130,000 was given by the Convention to sustain the work. But this force and this amount of money is not sufficient to do the work that is needed to be done. We recommend, therefore, more hearty co-operation and greater liberality from all our Churches to this worthy cause. W. F. FRY.

Pledges were taken and the report adopted.

Brother M. E. Britt made the report on Finance.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Received for State Missions	$ 64 12
Received for Home Missions	7 90
Received for Foreign Missions	5 46
Received for Orphanage	23 00
Received for Orphanage by cash collection	8 10
Received for Ministerial Education	14 00
Received for Ministerial Relief	12 00
Received for Minute fund	31 58
Total	$ 166 16

October 20th, 1904.

M. E. BRITT,
W. W. WHITTINGTON.

The report was adopted.

On motion, the Treasurer was instructed to pay over to the Clerk the amount received for minutes and Clerk's fee.

Brother Fry offered the following resolution:

Whereas, the Association has been most excellently entertained; and whereas, it has received every courtesy that could be asked; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we tender Mount Nelson church and the splendid people of the community our heartiest thanks for their kindnesses.

The Treasurer submits his report as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1903.		
October 21—By Cash at Pollocksville		$ 218 58
October 21—To Secretary for Minutes	$ 34 45	
October 27—To C. W. Blanchard	70 48	
October 27—To Walter Durham	55 71	
November 13—To S. H. Everitt	39 24	
1904.		
April 4—To Walter Durham	8 70	
April 4—To A. G. Cox	10 00	
1904.		$ 218 58
October 20—By amount from Finance Committee		$ 166 16

A. G. COX, Treasurer.

On motion, the Association adjourns to meet with Ayden Baptist Church, Ayden, N. C., on Tuesday after the third Lord's day in October, 1905, at 10 a. m.

Prayer and benediction by brother M. P. Davis.

C. C. TEAGUE, *Moderator.*

S. W. OLDHAM, *Clerk.*

THE WOMAN'S MEETING.

The meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Neuse Association was held in the Methodist Church at Eureka at 3 P. M. October 19th, 1904. Opened by singing a verse of "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing."

Mrs. Grant read a short lesson from 2nd Corinthians 8th chapter, which was followed by prayer by Mrs. Parrott, of Kinston.

Delegates were present from Goldsboro, Kinston, Seven Springs, New Hope, and Fremont. Gratifying reports were read from above Societies and from Fort Barnwell.

Our Vice-President made some helpful remarks recommending the enlistment of more children in Mission ranks, and showing an increase of contributions from our Societies during the last three years.

We realize that the aim to double our membership has not been fulfilled, but are glad to report the formation of four new societies during the year and the re-organization of two others.

Mrs. Cowan talked to interested listeners on the Sunbeam work, and methods in use in her own Band at Kinston.

Miss Lizzie Edmundson read a beautiful poem entitled, "So much to do at home."

Mrs. Hatcher gave her experience in conducting a small Missionary Society in another part of the State, and the meeting was concluded with prayer by Mrs. Petteway. It was regretted that the hour of meeting unintentionally clashed with that of an interesting discussion in the Association proper, thus shortening our exercises and rendering them less satisfactory.

We submit the report of the Young Girls' Band of the First Church, Goldsboro, hoping it will stimulate others to "Go and do likewise."

MRS. H. L. GRANT,
Vice-President W. M. S.

MRS. G. N. COWAN,
Secretary.

THE YOUNG GIRLS' BAND, FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, GOLDSBORO.

Last year "The Young Girls' Band" was organized with five members. We spent most of our time studying the lives of the early missionaries, and derived much pleasure from our meetings. We decided to educate one of the girls in the Lottie Price Mission School. We made thirty-eight dollars and forty cents during the year.

This year we have a membership of ten girls, and have them to fill all offices. I help them plan their work and arrange the programs for their meetings. They are able to lead their own meetings very nicely. We have made twenty-five dollars and hope that we will be able to do a great deal of work for this quarter.

I am very anxious for the girls to become useful, well trained workers for Christ, and earnestly ask for your prayers in our behalf.

Sincerely,
ANNIE FARRIOR.

CONSTITUTION OF THE NEUSE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association shall be known as the Neuse Baptist Association.

2. Its object shall be to extend the privileges of the gospel and liberal culture to all the people within its bounds, and by hearty co-operation with the Baptist State Convention, to help offer these privileges to all mankind in and out of the bounds by the cordial co-operation of all the churches constituting this body.

3. It shall be composed of the pastors in active service in the Association and such delegates as shall be annually elected by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates unless the membership shall exceed fifty, and then an additional delegate for every twenty-five members, provided, no church shall have more than eight delegates, female representatives exercising the privileges that would be granted them at the business meetings of their churches.

4. The "New Hampshire Declaration of Faith" shall be the summary of Divine Truth for determining question of faith and order in this body, and the churches desiring membership in it must commit themselves to the substance of it together with the Covenant therewith submitted and this Constitution.

5. This Association shall not have power to annul the discipline or exercise authority over any church connected with it, but it may advise with and sever its connection with any church that neglects to preserve gospel order, or that treats with contempt the objects or advice of the Association.

6. Each church shall send to the annual meetings of the Association a letter (the blanks to be furnished by the Clerk of the Association) carefully filled as per blank suggestions, stating the full work of the church for the year ending with the close of the month previous to the one in which the Association is held.

7. The Association shall foster State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, the Aged Ministers' Relief Board, the Thomasville Orphanage, and the Sunday-school Board, and each church shall be requested to contribute to the support of these objects annually.

8. Missions and Education shall have precedence in their claims upon the consideration of this body in its regular sessions.

9. Whenever a church shall fail to be represented by delegates or letter at the annual sessions of the Association, or shall fail to contribute to the objects fostered by the Association, inquiry shall be made for the cause, efforts shall be made to induce such a church to do its duty, and the effort shall be continued till the church is recovered or dropped from the roll.

10. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Historian, and a Treasurer, elected annually by ballot, from among its members, to serve until their successors shall have been elected and to perform the duties usual to such officers, namely, the Moderator in presiding, or Vice Moderator in his absence, over the meetings, the Clerk in recording and preserving minutes and other papers belonging to the body, the Treasurer in receiving and disbursing funds belonging to or entrusted to the body according to its will, the Historian in keeping a continuous record of the work and progress of the entire Association and making an annual report of same to each of its sessions.

11. The Association shall appoint annually an Executive Committee of three (3) from its members, who shall be intrusted with the prosecution of missions in the Association, and any other work for the interest of the Master's Kingdom which may be referred to them. This Committee shall, as far as possible, co-operate with the State Mission Board in supplying the destitution in our territory, and between the meetings of the Association take such action as may seem to them advisable for the advancement of its interests. The Committee shall present to the Association at its annual meeting a report of all its proceedings, with the names of the Missionaries supported on the field, time of service, and detail of their work, together

witn such recommendations as in the judgment of the Committee the Association should follow in planning its subsequent work.

12. The annual sessions of the Association shall begin on Tuesday after the third Lord's day in October at such place as may be chosen, and an introductory sermon shall be delivered on the first day of the session. Representatives from a majority of the churches constituting the Association shall be a quorum.

13. This Constitution may be amended at any annual sesion by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

14. Provisions shall be made at each Annual Association for a session of the Woman's Central Committee and all other necessary encouragement offered for the enlargement of the organized work of the Woman's Missionary Societies in the local churches. The proceedings of the Woman's Central Committee shall be recorded as a part of the minutes of the Association.

BY-LAWS.

1. The daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Delegates shall be recognized by letters from their churches designating them as such.

3. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or the delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand.

4. The report of the Executive Board and the Missionary work of the Association, shall take precedence of all other business during the morning session of the second day of the annual session.

5. The Clerk shall record and read the proceedings when called for, superintend the publication and distribution of the Minutes, preserve a file of them, and have it present at each annual session, and deliver to his successor all papers belonging to the body.

6. Members desiring to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "brother" in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe the courtesy that becomes Christians.

7. Members shall not absent themselves from the session without permission.

8. The roll of members shall be called at least once and absentees marked.

9. Corresponding messengers and visiting brethren shall be invited to seats, with privilege of speaking but not of voting.

10. A copy of the minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board; the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention; the American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia; the Sunday-School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Thomasville Orphanage.

11. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by Kerfoot's Parliamentary Law.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

Churches and Pastors.	Clerks and Addresses.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity of Church.	Preaching Sabbath.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Number of Males.	Number of Females.	Total Membership.
Antioch, T. H. King.....	C. J. Jackson, Winterville.....	$1000 00	350	Fourth	18	3	....	8	....	1	40	53	93
Ayden, T. H. King.....	C. L. Tyson, Ayden.....	750 00	300	Second	13	4	1	1	....	1	18	33	51
Castoria, S. W. Oldham.....	Mrs. Dora Carr.....	500 00	150	Third	2	2	4	..	2	1	13	25	38
Cove, W. L. Bilbro	F. B. Ipock, Cove.....	400 00	200	Fourth	....	1	....	....	....	....	4	8	12
Davis' Grove, S. W. Oldham.	Dr. W. W. Whittington, Bull Head	600 00	250	First	1	....	....	....	1	....	9	19	28
Dover, W. L. Bilbro.....	.....	400 00	250	Second	....	....	....	1	....	....	5	5	10
Emmans, J. B. Jackson	J. C. Edwards, Dudley.....	350 00	300	First	....	....	....	....	2	1	.....	.....	27
Falling Creek, J. B. Jackson.	G. P. Britt, Goldsboro.....	500 00	200	Second	11	....	....	1	....	1	45	52	97
Fort Barnwell, W. L. Bilbro.	J. W. Lane, Fort Barnwell..	600 00	200	Third	2	3	1	....	....	1	29	28	57
Fremont, J. B. Jackson.	C. C. Teague, Fremont.....	75 00	250	Fourth	....	5	....	1	....	1	4	11	15
Goldsboro, 1st, W. F. Fry..	J. M. Hollowell, Goldsboro	10000 00	600	Every	16	23	....	14	....	2	140	210	350
Goldsboro, 2d, J. B. Jackson	J. W. Sadler, Goldsboro	750 00	250	.....	10	..	....	3	2	2	25	57	82
Kinston, G. N. Cowan.	R. H. Lewis, Kinston.....	17000 00	800	Every	4	16	....	13	1	....	83	186	269
LaGrange, S. W. Oldham....	J. P. Joyner, LaGrange	3000 00	500	Fourth	....	2	....	3	1	....	19	38	57
Maysville, J. W. Nobles....	U. E. Eubank, Maysville.....	500 00	300	Third	1	3	....	1	....	....	12	12	24
Mt. Calvary, J. B. Jackson..	R. A. Parker, Calypso.....	200 00	300	Second	....	....	....	5	....	....	7	8	15
Mt. Nelson, J. B Jackson..	Mrs. Alice Strother, Eureka.....	700 00	400	Third	....	1	..	.	1	1	3	21	24
Newbern Tab., N. S. Jones.	W. C. Brick, Newbern	5000 00	400	Every	....	1	....	4	....	2	28	34	62
New Hope, W. P. Campbell.	W. E. Sutton, Kinston.....	400 00	250	Second	3	2	....	1	4	....	15	26	41
Piney Grove, J. W. Nobles.	A. D Kellum, Piney Grove.	500 00	300	Second	5	..	....	2	4	....	27	30	57
Pollocksville, J. W. Nobles..	T. A. Bell, Pollocksville	500 00	300	Fourth	....	5	1	2	6	..	18	32	50
Sandy Bot., W. P. Campbell.	Rudolph Croom, Kinston.....	350 00	200	Third	2	....	....	....	....	....	7	10	17
Seven Sp'gs, W. P. Campbell.	S. D. Byrd, Seven Springs	700 00	250	Fourth	1	2	....	....	7	....	15	16	31
Snow Hill, S. W. Oldham..	Parham Taylor, Snow Hill	600 00	300	Second	1	....	....	....	..	....	11	20	31
Spring Garden, W. L. Bilbro.	Mrs. Roberta Carman, Newbern.	400 00	200	First	4	....	....	....	....	....	7	9	16
Trenton, J. W. Nobles.....	C. C. Perry, Trenton.....	.. ....	....	First	....	....	....	....	....	1	8	12	20
Union, W. P. Campbell....	W. W. Rouse, Strabane.....	500 00	200	First	8	....	....	1	3	..	17	28	45
		.....	. ....	.....	102	....	7	....	34	15	.....	.....	1620

PLEDGES FOR 1904-1905.

Churches.	Sunday School Work.	Ministerial Relief.	Orphanage.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Totals.
Antioch	$5 00	$6 00	$27 50	$65 00	$15 00	$20 00	$20 00	$158 50
Ayden	1 00	2 50	5 00	25 00	4 00	5 00	5 00	47 50
Castoria	1 00	2 00	5 00	12 50	2 00	5 00	2 50	30 00
Cove		1 00	1 00	2 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	8 50
Davis' Grove	1 00	1 00	4 00	7 50	2 00	2 00	1 50	19 00
Dover		1 00	1 00	4 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	10 50
Emmaus		1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	7 00
Falling Creek	1 00	3 00	8 00	15 00	3 00	5 00	3 00	38 00
Fort Barnwell	1 00	5 00	11 00	20 00	5 00	7 50	2 00	51 50
Fremont	1 00	1 50	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 50	19 00
Goldsboro—First Church	15 00	15 00	90 00	185 00	35 00	200 00	30 00	570 00
Goldsboro—Second Church	1 00	2 00	5 00	15 00	3 00	3 00	2 50	31 50
Kinston	15 00	15 00	100 00	200 00	75 00	300 00	30 00	735 00
LaGrange	2 00	5 00	30 00	25 00	7 50	10 00	5 00	84 50
Maysville		2 00	3 00	7 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	19 00
Mt. Calvary	1 00	1 00	3 00	5 00	1 00	2 50	1 00	14 50
Mt. Nelson	1 00	1 00	4 00	7 50	1 00	1 50	1 00	17 00
Newbern Tabernacle		10 00	100 00	50 00	35 00	50 00	7 00	252 00
New Hope	1 00	2 00	15 00	25 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	55 00
Piney Grove		1 00	2 00	6 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	16 00
Polloksville	2 00	4 00	5 00	20 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	48 00
Sandy Bottom	50	1 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	16 50
Seven Springs	1 00	1 00	5 00	12 50	3 00	5 00	2 00	29 50
Snow Hill	1 00	2 00	5 00	12 50	2 50	6 00	1 50	30 50
Spring Garden	1 00	2 00	5 00	15 00	1 00	3 00	2 00	29 00
Trenton		1 50	1 50	7 50	1 00	1 50	2 00	15 00
Union	1 00		5 00	12 50	2 00	5 00	2 00	27 50
	53 50	89 50	452 00	768 50	222 00	661 00	133 50	2370 00

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Schools.	Superintendents and Addresses.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	No. Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers Taken.	Months Open.	Average Attendance.	Baptisms from Schools.	Contrib't'ns for All Objects.
Antioch	A. G. Cox, Winterville	8	111	119	75	187	12	72	17	$32 45
Ayden	W. C Jackson, Ayden	7	50				12	40	3	30 00
Castoria										
Cove										
Davis' Grove	Dr. W. W. Whittington, Bull Head	3	40	43		66	6	23		
Dover										
Emmaus	J. W, Mozingo, Goldsboro	4	37	43		50	6	25		
Falling Creek	J. B. Grantham, Goldsboro, R.F.D., No. 4.	6	75	81	35	72	12	50	8	
Fort Barnwell	M. D. Lane, Fort Barnwell	6	60	66		62	12	40	1	12 72
Fremont	C. C. Teague, Fremont	6	65	71	56	106	12	50		15 74
Goldsboro — First	Fulton Hall, Goldsboro	20	245	265		325	12	145		95 68
Goldsboro — Second	J. W. Sadler, Goldsboro	12	93	105		200	12	87	7	15 00
Kinston	J. J. Rogers, Kinston	23	208	231	200	200	12	135	4	182 47
LaGrange	Simeon Wooten, LaGrange	7	31	38	60	50	12	25		31 00
Maysville	J. E. McCutchen, Maysville									
Mt. Calvary										
Mt. Nelson	S. S. Strother, Eureka	4	30	34		40	12	25		3 00
Newbern Tabernacle	F. G. Mitchell, Newbern	9	100	109		500	12	62		291 00
New Hope	C. R. Turner, Kinston	8	60	68		80	12	40		11 96
Piney Grove	J. C Parker, Oliver's									
Polloksville	T. A. Bell, Polloksville	4	45	49	50	80	12	30		20 50
Sandy Bottom	J. J. Croom, Kinston	3	50	53		44	12	30		5 75
Seven Springs	G. G. Quinn, Seven Springs	3	36	39	20	36	12	21		3 50
Snow Hill	Walter Taylor, Snow Hill	6	30	36		40	6	20		
Spring Garden	Alex. Watson, Newbern	8	22	30		36	6	18		
Trenton										
Union	T. E. Elmore, Strabane	10	61	71		97	12	40	8	

FINANCE TABLE—Showing All the Contributions Given by the Churches, Woman's Missionary Societies, and Sunday Schools,

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairing.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	Minute Fund.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Old Ministers' Relief.	Other Objects.	Total.
Antioch	$100 00	.....	$30 70	$24 34	$2 50	$70 45	$11 55	$11 80	$30 61	.....	$20 00	$6 00	.....	$305 45
Ayden	100 00	$8 85	5 00	17 75	2 00	25 00	4 00	5 00	34 90	$2 65	5 00	2 50	.....	220 65
Castoria	75 00	16 00	3 00	.....	60	10 00	2 00	4 00	4 00	.....	2 50	2 00	$12 00	130 50
Cove	25 00	25 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	58 50
Davis' Grove	30 00	32 00	2 00	2 75	45	5 85	2 25	2 00	3 00	.....	1 06	1 00	7 50	89 41
Dover	25 00	75 00	.....	.....	.....	4 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	110 50
Emmaus	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00
Falling Creek	100 00	.....	2 00	15 00	1 53	12 00	3 00	5 00	7 00	19 50	2 00	3 00	29 30	197 80
Fort Barnwell	100 00	30 77	5 30	12 70	1 50	22 00	18 00	12 50	11 00	.....	3 00	2 50	67 02	284 81
Fremont	25 00	.....	6 00	15 74	1 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	5 00	.....	2 50	1 00	.....	64 24
Goldsboro—First Church	1100 00	278 00	226 00	49 45	5 00	168 98	123 20	170 40	90 20	291 00	38 00	15 00	61 00	2636 23
Goldsboro—Second Church	100 00	60 00	5 05	15 00	1 00	14 50	7 00	5 50	15 00	.....	2 50	2 00	18 87	245 42
Kinston	1000 00	1308 00	104 93	159 02	5 00	134 42	167 76	254 83	112 25	193 30	32 00	.....	87 55	3549 06
LaGrange	250 00	1000 00	50 00	22 00	1 50	20 00	7 50	7 50	34 00	30 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	1441 00
Maysville	37 50	2 65	1 50	.....	1 00	7 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	.....	5 00	2 00	1 62	62 27
Mt. Calvary	30 00	.....	.....	.....	50	5 00	1 00	2 50	2 00	10 00	.....	1 00	.....	52 50
Mt. Nelson	30 00	102 60	20	3 00	75	7 50	1 00	1 50	4 00	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	151 80
Newbern Tabernacle	485 00	174 00	222 99	.....	.....	50 00	54 50	86 70	111 00	.....	7 00	10 00	36 55	1237 74
New Hope	50 00	.....	2 00	11 00	1 00	20 00	4 00	3 00	5 96	.....	2 00	2 00	.....	99 96
Piney Grove	95 00	.....	1 50	.....	1 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	2 00	17 00	1 00	1 00	5 00	133 50
Polloksville	100 00	.....	....	20 50	1 00	23 84	5 00	12 25	5 00	....	2 00	5 00	1 00	174 59
Sandy Bottom	30 00	.....	3 00	5 75	1 00	5 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	10 10	1 00	1 00	.....	61 75
Seven Springs	60 00	.....	4 50	3 50	50	11 10	3 00	2 50	3 00	25 00	2 00	1 00	.....	115 60
Snow Hill	60 00	.....	3 00	.....	75	10 00	2 55	5 00	9 02	.....	1 25	2 00	1 05	93 87
Spring Garden	75 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	12 50	2 00	3 00	2 00	.....	2 00	2 00	.....	103 50
Trenton	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 50	1 00	1 50	1 50	2 00	.....	1 50	1 00	276 00
Union	60 00	4 00	1 00	20 00	1 00	10 00	2 00	2 50	3 00	15 00	2 00	3 00	.....	122 50

REPORT ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

CHURCHES.	Pledges for 1905.	Pledges for 1904.	Contributed on Pledges.	Below Pledge.	Above Pledge.	Contributed per Member on Pledges.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Colportage.	Repairs on Churches.	Poor.	Colleges and Schools.	Other Objects.	Contributed for All Objects During Year.	Loss in Membership.	Gain in Membership.	Number of Members.	Minute Fund.
Antioch	$158 50	$133 50	$150 40	.....	$16 90	$1 62	$100 00	$30 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$305 41	.....	12	93	$2 50
Ayden	47 50	46 50	77 05	.....	30 55	1 51	100 00	5 00	.....	$8 85	$10 00	$2 65	.....	220 67	.....	16	51	2 00
Castoria	30 00	24 00	24 50	.....	50	64	75 00	3 00	.....	16 00	.....	.....	.....	130 50	.....	5	38	60
Cove	8 50	8 50	8 50	Even	Even	71	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	58 50	.....	1	12	.....
Davis' Grove	19 00	13 00	22 16	.....	9 16	79	30 00	2 00	.....	32 00	.....	.....	$7 50	89 41	Even	Even	28	.....
Dover	10 50	10 50	10 50	Even	Even	1 05	25 00	.....	.....	75 00	.....	.....	.....	110 50	1	.....	10	.....
Emmaus	7 00	7 00	.....	7 00	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	Even	Even	27	.....
Falling Creek	38 00	32 00	32 00	Even	Even	34	100 00	2 00	$10 00	.....	.....	19 50	14 00	197 80	.....	9	97	1 53
Fort Barnwell	51 50	37 00	69 00	.....	32 00	1 21	100 00	5 30	.....	30 77	.....	.....	67 02	284 81	.....	5	57	1 50
Fremont	19 00	16 50	16 50	Even	Even	1 10	25 00	6 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	48 50	.....	3	15	1 00
Goldsboro—First	570 00	410 60	605 78	.....	195 10	1 73	1100 00	226 00	.....	200 00	.....	285 00	61 00	2636 23	.....	23	350	5 00
Goldsboro—Second	31 50	27 50	36 50	.....	9 00	45	100 00	5 05	.....	60 00	.....	15 00	13 87	245 42	.....	3	82	1 00
Kinston	735 00	690 00	701 26	.....	11 20	2 61	1000 00	104 93	.....	1308 00	26 65	193 30	55 90	3549 06	.....	6	269	5 00
LaGrange	84 50	68 50	79 00	.....	10 50	1 39	250 00	50 00	.....	1000 00	.....	30 00	10 00	1441 00	2	.....	57	1 50
Maysville	19 00	19 00	19 00	Even	Even		79	37 00	1 50	.....	6 65	.....	1 62	62 27	.....	3	24	1 00
Mt. Calvary	14 50	12 50	11 50	Even	Even		83	30 00	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	52 50	5	.....	15	50
Mt. Nelson	17 00	16 00	16 00	Even	Even		67	30 00	20	.....	102 60	.....	.....	151 80	2	.....	24	75
New Hope	55 00	36 00	36 00	Even	Even		88	50 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	99 96	Even	Even	41	1 00
Piney Grove	16 00	15 00	15 00	Even	Even		26	95 00	1 50	.....	.....	17 00	5 00	133 50	1	.....	57	1 00
Polloksville	48 00	45 00	52 69	.....	7 69	1 05	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	174 59	.....	1	50	1 00
Sandy Bottom	16 50	13 00	13 00	Even	Even		76	30 00	3 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	61 75	.....	2	17	1 00
Seven Springs	29 50	21 50	22 16	.....	66		71	60 00	4 50	.....	.....	25 00	.....	115 60	4	.....	31	50
Snow Hill	30 50	24 50	30 87	.....	6 37	1 00	60 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	93 87	.....	1	31	75
Spring Garden	29 00	23 50	23 50	Even	Even	1 44	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	103 50	.....	4	16	75
Trenton	15 00	15 00	15 00	Even	Even		75	50 00	.....	.....	.....	210 00	.....	276 00	1	.....	20	1 00
Unioh	27 50	22 50	22 50	Even	Even		50	60 00	1 00	.....	4 00	.....	15 00	122 50	.....	4	45	1 00
Newbern Tabernacle	252 00	252 00	339 20	.....	77 20	5 47	460 00	222 99	.....	174 00	11 55	.....	25 00	1237 74	5	.....	62	.....
Total	2370 00	2040 00	2550 57	7 00	407 83	*1 57	4202 00	678 67	10 00	3137 87	49 20	622 45	260 91	12028 39	21	98	1620	31 88

* Average.

It will be seen that the digest shows that 13 churches contributed the same they pledged, and one church fell below its pledge to the amount of $7.60; 13 churches excelled their pledges by $407.83. This makes a total increase in contributions above pledge of $400.80.

We also see that 3 churches neither gained nor lost in membership during the year; and that 8 churches met a total loss of 21, and that 16 met a total gain of 98, making a total increase in membership during the year of 77. The Neuse Association has 1620 members. J. B. JACKSON.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY STATISTICS.

Churches.	President and Postoffice.	Number of Members.	Contributed For All Objects.
Antioch	Miss Rennie Peele, Winterville	34	$43 00
Ayden	Mrs. W. C. Jackson, Ayden	14	5 00
Fort Barnwell	Mrs. J. B. Newton, Fort Barnwell	10	23 00
Fremont	Mrs. C. C. Teague, Fremont	6	5 00
Goldsboro—First	Mrs. S. D. Petteway, Goldsboro	38	158 85
Goldsboro—Second			9 00
Kinston	Mrs. R. H. Lewis, Kinston	30	248 90
LaGrange	Mrs. S. W. Oldham, LaGrange	12	6 20
New Hope	Mrs. W. P. Campbell, Seven Springs	7	
Polloksville	Miss Hulda. Noble, Polloksville	9	21 60
Sandy Bottom	Mrs. Menter Croom, Kinston, R.F.D.4	8	
Seven Springs	Mrs. W P. Campbell, Seven Springs	6	1 10
Union	Miss Nellie Davis, Strabane	10	
Newbern Tabernacle	Miss Amelia Williams, James City	16	64 28
Totals		200	585 93
YOUNG LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.			
Kinston	Miss Clara Wooten, Kinston	12	19 65
BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.			
Kinston	Herman Canady, Kinston	35	
LADIES' AID SOCIETY.			
Kinston	Mrs. E. F. Cox, Kinston	32	
SUNBEAMS.			
Kinston	Mrs. G. N. Cowan, Kinston	40	17 46
Seven Springs	Miss Maggie Walker, Seven Springs	20	
Fort Barnwell	Miss Eva Pittman, Fort Barnwell	15	3 00
Antioch	Miss Annie Nelson, Winterville	37	
Newbern Tabernacle	Miss Mary Mitchell, Newbern	15	4 47
Totals		127	24 93

Winterville High School,

(Property of Neuse Association.)

FALL TERM OPENS SEPTEMBER 5,
AND CLOSES DECEMBER 23, 1904.

SPRING TERM BEGINS JANUARY 2,
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Tuition $1.00 to $3.50 per Month.

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MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Neuse Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Ayden Baptist Church, Ayden, N.C

October 26, 27 and 28, 1905.

Next session to be held with the First Baptist Church of Goldsboro, N. C., Rev. W. P. Campbell to Preach the Introductory Sermon

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Session to begin at 11 o'clock on Tuesday after the third Lord's Day in October, 1906.

WEEKLY RECORD
BOOK AND JOB PRINT
GOLDSBORO, N. C.

CONSTITUTION OF THE NEUSE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association shall be known as the Neuse Baptist Association.

2. Its ohject shall be to extend the privileges of the gospel and liberal culture to all the people within its bounds, and by hearty cooperation with the Baptist State Convention, to help offer these privileges to all mankind in and out of the bounds by the cordial cosperation of all the churches constituting this body.

3. It shall be composed of the pastors in active service in the Association and such delegates as shall be annually elected by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates unless the membership shall exceed fifty, and then an additional delegate for every twenty-five members, provided, no church shall have more than eight delegates, female representatives exercising the privileges that would be granted them at the business meetings of of their churches.

4. The "New Hamshire Declaration of Faith" shall be the summary of Divine Truth for determining question of faith and order in this body, and the churches desiring membership in it must commit themselves to the substance of it together with the Covenant therewith submitted and this Constitution.

5. This Association shall not have power to annul the discipline or exercise authority over any church connected with it, but it may advise with and sever its connection with any church that neglects to preserve gospel order, or that treats with contempt the objects or advice of the Association.

6. Each church shall send to the annual meetings of the Association a letter (the blanks to be furnished by the Clerk of the Association) carefully filled as per blank suggestions, stating the full work of the church for the year ending with the close of the month previous to the one in which the Association is held.

7. The Association shall foster State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, the Aged Ministers' Relief Board, the Thomasville Orphanage, and the Sunday-school Board, and each church shall be requested to contribute to the support of these objects annually.

8. Missions and Education shall have precedence in their claims upon the consideration of this body in its regular sessions.

9. Whenever a church shall fail to be represented by delegates or letter at the annual sessions of the Association, or shall fail to contribute to the objects fostered by the Association, inqury shall be made for the cause, efforts shall be made to induce such a chirch to do its duty, and the effort shall be continued till the church is recovered or dropped from the roll.

10. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk a Historian, and a Treasurer, elected annually by ballot, from among its members, to serve until their successors shall have been elected and to perform the duties usual to such officers, namely, the Moderator in presiding, or Vice-Moderator in his absence, over the meetings, the Clerk in recording and preserving minutes and other papers belonging to the body, the Treasurer in receiving and disbursing funds belonging to or entrusted to the body according to its will, the Historian in keeping a continuous record of the work and progress of the entire Association and making an annual report of same to each of its sessions.

11. The Association shall appoint annually an Executive Committee of three (3) from its members, who shall be entrusted with the prosecution of missions in the Association, and any other work for the interest of the Master's Kingdom which may be referred to them. This Committee shall, as far as possible, co-operate with the State Mission Board in supplying the destitution in our territory, and between the meeting of the Association take such action as may seem to them advisable for the advancement of its interests. The Committee shall present to the Association at its annual meeting a report of all its proceedings, wiah the names of the Missionaries supported on the field, time of service, and detail of their work, together with

such recommendations as in the judgment of the Committee the Association should follow in planning its subsequent work.

12. The annual sessions of the Association shall begin on Tuesday after the third Lord's day in October at such place as may be chosen, and an introductory sermon shall be delivered on the first day of the session. Representatives from a majority of the churches constituting the Association shall be a quorum.

13. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vots of all the members present.

14. Provisions shall be made at each Annual Association for a session of the Woman's Central Committee and all other necessary encoeragement offered for the enlargement of the organized work of the Woman's Missionary Societies in the local churches. The proceedings of the Woman's Central Committee shall be recorded as a part of the minutes of the Association.

BY-LAWS.

1. The daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Delegates shall be recognized by letters from their churches designating them as such.

3. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or the delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand.

4. The report of the Executive Board and the Missionary work of the Association, shall take precedence of all other business during the morning session of the second day of the annual session.

5. The Clerk shall record and read the proceedings when called for, superintend the publication and distribution of the Minutes, preserve a file of them, and have it present at each annual session, and deliver to his successor all papers belonging to the body.

6. Members desiring to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "brother" in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe the courtesy that becomes Christians.

7. Members shall not absent themselves from the session without permission.

8. The roll of members shall be called at leat once and absentees marked.

9. Corresponding messengers and visiting brethren shall be invited to seats, with privilege of speaking but not of voting.

10. A copy of the minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board; the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention; the American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia; the Sunday-School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Thomasvills Orphanage.

11. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by Kerfoot's Parliamentary Law.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

MODERATOR—C. C. Teague.....Freemont, N. C
VICE-MODERATOR—J. E. Debnam.....Snow Hill, N. C.
CLERK—J. L. Jackson.....Winterville, N. C.
TREASURER—A. G. Cox.....Winterville, N. C.
HISTORIAN—B. W. Spilman.....Kinston, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

W. F. Fry.....Goldsboro, N. C.
A. G. Cox.....Winterville, N. C.
C. G. Wells.....Kinston, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Home Missions.....J. W. Nobles.
Foreign Missions.....W. F. Fry.
State Missions.....C. G. Wells.
Orphanage.....W. L. Bilbro.
Sunday Schools.....B. W. Spilman.
Ministerial Education.....T. H. King.
Periodicals.....J. H. Booth.
Temperance.....T. J. Hood.
Aged Ministers' Relief.....J. J. Douglass.
Church Building, Executive Committe, with G. E. Lineberry.
Order of Business—W. F. Fry, T. H. King and H. B. Parker, Jr.

COMMITTEE TO REVISE CONSTITUTION.

C. G. Wells, W. F. Fry and W. P. Campbell.

COMMITTEE ON JOINT WORK IN WINTERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL.

A. G. Cox, G. E. Lineberry and W. F. Fry.

MINISTERIAL REGISTER.

W. W. Barnes.....Elm City, N. C.
W. L. Bilbro.....Kinston, N. C.
J. H. Booth.....Snow Hill, N. C.
W. P. Campbell.....Seven Springs, N. C.
J. J. Douglass.....Newbern, N. C.
W. F. Fry.....Goldsboro, N. C.
T. J. Hood.....Goldsboro, N. C.
T. H. King.....Ayden, N. C.
J. B. Newton.....Ft. Barnwell, N. C.
J. W. Nobles.....Polloksville, N. C.
J. B. Olive.....Maysville, N. C.
C. G. Wells.....Kinston, N. C.

LIST OF MESSENGERS.

Antioch—L. F. Elliott, R. Croom, G. E. Jackson, J. L. Jackson, W. B. Wingate.
Ayden—J. B. Carroll, Thos. Ludford, W. J. Mumford.
Castoria—
Cove—W. L. Bilbro.
Davis' Grove—Jas. H. Williams.
Dover—W. L. Bilbro.
Emmans—
Falling Creek—Jno. R. Tadlock, Thos. J. Hood.
Ft. Barnwell—J. B. Newton, Miss Bertha Newton.
Fremont—C. C. Teague, Miss Meta Dew.
Goldsboro, First Church—Mrs. H. L. Grant, Geo. Waters, Jr., W. F. Fry, H. B. Parker, Jr.
Goldsboro, Second Church—
Kinston—B. W. Spilman, Mrs. R. H. Lewis, J. A. McDaniel.
LaGrange—G. A. Faucette.
Macedonia—B. E. Rose.
Maysville—F. M. Jenkins, Mrs. F. M. Jenkins, D. J. Morton.
Mt. Calvary—G. W. Parker.
Mt. Nelson—C. C. Teage.
Newbern, Tabernacle—
New Hope—G. W. Abbott, Wm. Dudley.
Piney Grove—A. F. Cox.
Pollocksville—J. W. Nobles, Miss Bessie Holland, Samuel Hudson.
Sandy Bottom—R. P. Croom.
Seven Springs—G. G. Quinn, W. P. Campbell.
Snow Hill—J. E. Debnam, V. R. Smith.
Spring Garden—O. H. Perry.
Trenton—Lewis King.
Union---Paul Elmore, J. J. Barwick.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY---MORNING SESSION.

The Seventh Annual Session of the Neuse Baptist Association met with the Ayden Baptist Church, Thursday, October 26, 1905, at 11:30 a. m.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. B. W. Spilman.

The Moderator being delayed by a late train, Bro. A. G. Cox was elected Moderator pro tem. and J. L. Jackson, Clerk pro tem.

Upon arrival of old officers, permanent organization was effected by electing C. C. Teague, Moderator; J. E. Debnam, Vice-Moderator; J. L. Jackson, Clerk; A. G. Cox, Treasurer and Rev. B. W. Spilman, Historian.

The Moderator appointed the following Committee on Order of Business: T. H. King, W. F. Fry, C. G. Wells.

The roll of churches was called and delegates enrolled. Rev. R. T. Vann, of the Baptist University for Women, was welcomed by the Moderator.

The Committee on Order of Business made a partial report as follows: At 2:30 take up Ministerial Relief and follow that with Home Missions

Pastor T. H. King made an address of welcome, which was responded to in behalf of the Association by B. W. Spilman.

Session adjourned with benediction by Dr. Vann.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Rev. J. W. Noble conducted the Devotional Exercises. Prayer by Rev. W. F. Fry.

The report on Aged Ministers' Relief was read and discussed by Rev. J. H. Booth. The report was adopted, and the roll of churches was called, and pledges for this object were taken.

Upon request of Rev. W. P. Campbell, the report on Home Missions was deferred until to-morrow.

Bro. Wells made motion that the report on Periodicals be taken up Since Bro. Hood, who was to make the report, was absent Bro. Fry moves that report be deferred, but that we have the discussion this afternoon. The subject was discussed by brethren A. G. Cox, W. F. Fry, T. H. King, J. H. Booth and B. W. Spilman. The papers mentioned having no representatives present, T. H. King agrees to take subscriptions for Biblical Recorder; A. G. Cox, for Charity and Children; W. F. Fry for North Carolina Baptist, and Mrs. H. L. Grant for our Home Field. The Atlantic Messenger and Foreign Mission Journal were recommended very highly also.

The Moderator appointed J. E. Debnam, Paul Elmore and B. E. Rose Finance Committee.

Bro. Fry reports that the Association is indebted to the Baptist Book Store. Pledges and cash were taken toward paying the debt.

Committee on Oorder of Business, report that at 7 o'clock to-night Rev. C. G. Wells will preach the Introductory Sermon, to be followed by the report on Education and an address by Dr. R. T. Vann, of Raleigh.

FIRST DAY---NIGHT SESSION.

Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. C. G. Wells, of Kinston. Text: Rev. vi:9.

The report on Education was read by Rev W. L. Bilbro and discussed by brethren Bilbro and Vann.

The Committee on Order of Business report as follows:

Second day---Morning Session---Devotional Exercises by W. P. Champell. Miscellaneous Business. Home Missions. Report of Executive Committee.

Afternoon---Devotional Exercises by J. E. Debnam. Sunday Schools. Orphanage.

Night---Foreign Missions.

Third Day---Devotional Exercises by J. H Booth. Temperance. Winterville High School.

SECOND DAY---MORNING SESSION.

Devotional Exercises conducted by Rev. W. P. Campbell.

Visiting brethren, T. J. Crisp, of the Tar River Association and Archibald Johnson, of the Thomasville Orphanage were recognized by the Moderator.

The Moderator announces the following Committees:

Order of Business---T. H. King, W. F. Fry, C. G. Wells.

Finance Committee---J. E. Debnam, Paul Elmore, B. E. Rose.

Digest of Church Letters---W. P. Campell, V. R. Smith, G. A. Faucette.

To Nominate Delegates to Southern Baptist and Baptist State Conventions---W. C. Jackson, J. J. Barwick, G. G. Quinn.

To nominate members to fill vacancies in Board of Trustees of of Winterville High School—A. G. Cox, J. W. Nobles, F. M. Jenkins.

To nominate Executive Committee—J. H. Booth, H. B. Parker, Jr., T. J. Hood.

On Place and Preacher—J. B. Carroll, Geo. Waters, Jr., W. B. Wingate.

On Petitionary Church Letters—W. F. Fry, C. G. Wells, W. L. Bilbro.

The Report on Home Missions was read by W. P. Campbell, and discussed by W. P. Campbell, Archibald Johnson, W. F. Fry and T. H. King.

After prayer by J. H. Booth, pledges were taken.

W. F. Fry read the Report of the Executive Committee. Speeches were made by brethren J. W. Nobles, J. H. Booth, A. G. Cox, J. E. Debnam, W. P. Campbell, T. J. Hood, W. L. Bilbro, T. H. King, C. C. Teague and W. F. Fry on the condition of the work in the different sections of the Association. Report was adopted.

Brethren Hight C. Moore, Field Secretary of the S. S. Board, and R. T. Teague were recognizized by the Moderator.

Adjournment with special prayer for sister Byrd, of Seven Springs, led by Rev. C. G. Wells.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Brother Campbell, Chairman of Committee on Digest of Church Letters, asked permission to make out his report and hand it to the Clerk after adjournment of the Association. The request was granted.

Rev. J. W. Nobles read the Report on the Thomasville Orphan-

age and called on Bro. Archibald Johnson to discuss the Orpanage work. Bro. Johnson responded in a strong speech, showing the different stages in the life of the Orphanage, and how each of the General Managers was peculiarly fitted for the stage in which he labored.

Bro. A. G. Cox makes a motion that the Neuse Association assume $200.00 of the Orphanage debt, exclusive of our other pledges for that work. Motion was carried unanimously. Pledges were then taken and the report adopted.

A hat collection was taken which amounted to $8.00.

On motion Order of Business was changed to take up miscellaneous business.

Standing Committees were appointed.

Motion by Rev. W. P. Campbell that a committee he appointed to arrange Order of Business for next year carried.

Committee on Petitionary Letters report as follows:

We have examined carefully the Articles of faith and Covenant adopted by Macedonia Baptist Church, and being satisfied with the scriptural soundness of said Articles of Faith and Covenant, do heartily and unanimously recommend the church to fellowship in the Association. Report was adopted.

Committee to nominate Executive Committee report as follows:

W. F. Fry, A. G. Cox and C. G. Wells.

Session adjourned with prayer by T. J. Hood.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Devotional Exercises were conducted by Prof. G. E. Lineberry.

Prof. W. H. Ragsdale, of the Tar River Association, was welcomed by the Moderator.

Rev. C. G. Wells read the report on Foreign Missions, which was discussed by its author and W. F. Fry who showed very strongly the reasons for Foreign Missions. Pledges were then taken and the report adopted.

On motion Reports on Sunday Schools was taken up. Brother Spilman, who had prepared the report, being absent, it was read by W. F. Fry and very ably discussed by Rev. Hight C. Moore, Field Secretary of the Sunday School Board of the Baptist State Convention.

Meeting adjourned with benediction by Rev. W. F. Fry.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional Exercises were conducted by Rev. J. H. Booth.

Brother Fry reports for Committee on Place and Preacher. Next session to meet at First Baptist Church at Goldsboro; Rev. W. P. Campbell to preach the Introductory Sermon.

On motion by Bro. Fry the Moderator appointed C. G. Wells, W. F. Fry and W. P. Campbell, Committee to Revise Constitution and report at next session of the Association.

G. E. Lineberry reports for the Finance Committee; the Chairman, J. E. Debnam, having gone home.

The adoption of the Report on Sunday Schools having been de-

ferred, it was now taken up and adopted after the pledges had been taken.

Committee to fill vacancies in Board of Trustees of Winterville High School report as follows: O. H. Perry to succeed T. J. Mitchell, T. J. Hood to succeed W. R. Simmons, deceased. A. G. Cox, for Committee.

The Report on Temperance was read and discussed by Prof. G. E. Lineberry, who showed very strongly the effects of intemperance. He included in his remarks the evils of cigar and cigarette smoking, opium in its various forms, and also the coco-cola habit. Bro. T. H. King then read the following resolution:

Resolved, 1. That this Association place itself on record as favoring State Prohibition and that we pledge our hearty support to bring this to pass as soon as practicable.

2. That we advise the churches to discipline their members who lend their influence to the liquor traffic.

The Resolution was discussed by T. H. King, G. W. Parker, J. B. Newton and T. J. Hood. Resolution was adopted. Report on Temperance then adopted. Special prayer for the success of the Temperance Movement was led by Rev. W. F. Fry.

Report of Treasurer of Winterville High School was read by A. G. Cox. He also announces that Mrs. S. C. Parrott, of Kinston, has given $500.00 to Winterville High School to be used as a loan fund.

G. E. Lineberry moves that a committee of three be appointed to arrange with the Tar River Association for joint work in the Winterville High School. The Moderator appoints on this Committee, A. G. Cox, G. E. Lineberry, and W. F. Fry.

Dismission by Rev. J. W. Nobles.

THIRD DAY—NIGHT SESSION.

Session opened with prayer by Rev. J. B. Newton.

Rev. J. R. Tingle, of the Deciple Church at Belhaven, was recognized by the Moderator.

The Moderator appointed the following Committee on Order of Business for next year: W. F. Fry, T. H. King and H. B. Parker, Jr.

Committee to nominate delegates to Southern Baptist and Baptist State Conventions report as follows:

Your committee to nominate delegates to the State and Southern Baptist Conventions wish to make the following nominations:

Delegate to Southern Paptist Convention—W. F. Fry.

Alternate—J. A. McDaniel.

Delegates to Baptist State Convention—C. G. Wells, A. G. Cox and C. C. Teague.

Alternates: H. B. Parker, Fred Carr and J. E. Debnam,

W. C. JACKSON,
G. G. QUINN,
J. J. BARWICK.
Committee.

The following Resolution was adopted:

Whereas, sister S. C. Parrott, of Kinston Baptist Church, has donated five hundred dollars as the first gift for a "Student's Loan Fund" for Winterville High School, therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That the Neuse Association express to sister Parrott its appreciation of this gift by a rising vote of thanks.

2. That we solicit other donations to increase this fund.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to sister Parrott, and that the same together with copy of the Deed of Gift be spread upon

the Minutes of this Association.

The Treasurer of the Association reported next.

W. F. Fry was elected member of the State Board of Missions.

A resolution of thanks for the entertainment accorded the Association by the people of Ayden Baptist Church and community was offered by Bro. Fry, and unanimously adopted.

The Report on Periodicals, which had been postponed, was read by the clerk in absence of Bro. Hood, its author.

Report is adopted.

The Report on State Missions was read by W. F. Fry.

Pending motion to adopt, speeches were made by W. F. Fry, J. H. Booth and J. B. Newton. Pledges were then taken and the report adopted.

The Report on Ministerial Education was read and discussed by Prof. G. E. Lineberry, who showed numerous instances of the glorious work done by some of those who have been aided by this Board. After the pledges had been taken the report was adopted.

The Association adjourned to meet with the First Baptist Church of Goldsboro, Tuesday after the third Lord's Day in October 1906.

Dismission by Rev. J. W. Nobles.

J. L. JACKSON, Clerk. C. C. TEAGUE, Moderator.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The Baptist State Convention was organized exactly seventy-five years ago. The organization was perfected mainly with a view of supplying the religious destitution in our state. There is no one so blind but is able to see the wise foresightedness on the part of the Baptists of the state in making such a move. There is nothing that can be done well and efficiently without system and organization. In matters of religion there is no exception to the rule. Up to 1830, the birth-year of the Baptist State Convention, scarcely nothing was done by our Baptist people toward the evangelization of the state. Since that time the work that North Carolina Baptists have done through the Board of Missions at Raleigh has been nothing less than marvelous. To enable our Board to do the still greater work that is before it to do, it must have the co-operation, sympathy, and support of every Baptist in the State. When we take into consideration that with only two exceptions, the Neuse Association receives the largest appropriation for Mission Work within its bounds of any other in the State, it seems but fair that all of our churches ought to be especially liberal to this object. There are many of our brethren that ought to feel this responsibility much more heavily than they do. Your committee earnestly hopes that every church in the Association that heretofore has not been doing its whole duty by State Missions, will this year rise to the full measure of its opportunity and obligation.

W. F. FRY.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board is the servant of the Southern Baptist Convention. It is the purpose of the Board that all people living within the territory covered by the Southern Baptist Convention shall have an opportunity to hear the gospel as Baptists believe and preach it. In response to appeals from the State Boards, the Home Mission Board is aiding in mission work in some eight or ten states. The main work of the Board is on the frontier in the west, the mountain

region, some of our largest cities, and their effort at co-operative work among the negroes. In addition to preaching the gospel, the Board is doing a great work in building church houses, and helping to establish and support Baptist Schools at certain important points in the mountain territory within the bounds of the Convention. More than six hundred missionaries are at work under the direction of the Board, and last year about $130,000 was given by our Baptist people to sustain the work. But this force and this amount of money is not sufficient to do the work. We recommend therefore, more hearty co-operation, and greater liberality from all our churches to this worthy cause.

W. P. CAMPBELL.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The mission fields of Christendom are of three classes. First, those countries nominally Christian, as America; second, Roman Catholic countries and Greek Church regions, as Italy and Russia; third, the purely heathen nations, which never heard the the gospel, as China. In the spread of the gospel a divinely appointed order is indicated by the Saviour in Acts 1:6-8: Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and then the uttermost part of the earth. The Book of Acts in its entirety illustrates the carrying out of the divine order, and Apostolic precedents show the difference between evangelizing and Christianizing. One is planting the gospel, the other is cultivating and gathering the fruits. The work of Foreign Missions deals with planting the gospel, and the labors of Paul show us how the divine order is to be carried out among a heathen people. First, the planting; second, the watering; third. the harvesting. North Carolina has been evangelized; the watering and the harvesting are now going on. By the gospel order we are to send out and sustain missionaries to plant the gospel in the regions beyond. It is believed that the recent wars in East have helped the missionary situation. War is not a weapon of the Baptists, but a sledge-hammer and a rod of iron are in the tool-chest of Jehovah, and, when He will He uses them through the world-powers. And our mission is to plant the gospel of peace and of healing among the peoples of the earth. Missionaries stand at the head of the forces of the world. In China alone there are about 5,000 missionaries, and not less than 100,000 converts. There and elsewhere the Southern Baptists are seeking to plant the gospel, where it is not known. For this purpose they gave last year $273,000 and sent out fifty new missionaries. As we have opportunity, let us increase our contributions and multiply the number of those we send into the uttermost part of the earth.

C. G. WELLS.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The destitution from a Baptist stand-point of the Neuse Association has been frequently and frankly told. Besides the fact that a majority of the country and village churches have only a small membership, and these by no means wealthy, there are a number of points in the Association that ought to have been occuppied by the Baptists years ago, that are still untouched. In some of these places there is a real demand for Baptist preaching. Our missionaries this year have labored faithfully and wisely. Brother Bilbro, on the Craven County field, has been laboring to lay a solid foundation. He has done this, and the outlook is, perhaps, brighter on his field than ever before. Of course he has real difficulties on his field. At Dover several of the Baptists have moved away. At this point, Bro. Bilbro has been trying to build a house of worship. He has gone a good way toward its completion.

Brother Booth has made a real sacrifice on his field in Greene County. He has lived on the Board's appropriation to this field, and

the churches have given what they would have given to the pastor's support, to the building of a preacher's home. Greene County ought to be a great Baptist stronghold, but so far we have found it hard to get a solid footing.

The Wayne County field is not now the pastorate of one man. Bro. King is pastor at the Goldsboro Second Church and is taking hold of the work with a strong and vigorous hand. Bro. T. J. Hood is pastor at Falling Creek and Mt. Calvary churches. Fremont, a strategic point for Baptists at this hour, and Emmans are still without pastors.

Bro. King, without any remuneration whatever, has preched the entire associational year at Hopewell, two or three miles from Ayden and Tucker's School House, about seven miles northwest from Ayden.

The Board notes with gratitude to God the substantial progress on the Lenoir County field. There has been a general spiritual quickening among all of the churches, a raise of sixty-five dollars in pastor's salary, quite a number of baptisms and a growth in liberality. Bro. Campbell is greatly loved and honored by his people, and we sincerely hope that the blessings that have attended his labors this year will be more than realized in the year that we are just entering. It ought to be a matter of record that this good man has, within the last few weeks, refused a salary twice the amout that he is now receiving, and decides to stay on his field.

Prof. T. J. Hood, in addition to preaching at a number of destitute points during the year, and doing it all without any pay from the Board, has preached all of the year at Macedonia in the wesern part of Wayne. As a result of his work here a splendid young church will present itself for membership in this body at this session of the Association.

Bro. J. W. Noble has done most excellent work this year on the Jones County field. There has been splendid progress both financially and spiritually. The new church at Trenton, it is hoped, will soon be completed. This of course will mean much for our Master's cause at this place. In conclusion, the Committee earnestly recommend that wherever it is possible, that the churches advance on the salaries of these faithful and much underpaid missionaries, and that on all the fields wherever there is not now a pastor's home that the brethren will take immediate steps to build one.

W F. FRY, for Ex. Com.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

At the last session of the Association a Standing Committee on Sunday-Schools was appointed. This Committee has been studying the Sunday School situation to some extent and finds little ground for encouragement. Up to the writing of this report we have been able to secure statistics from only fourteen of our churches. Of these eight, including our three strongest churches, report a loss of scholars over last year. During the year the fifth Sunday in April was devoted to a discussion of Sunday School work. A Sunday School Convention was organized with brethren J. J. Rogers, of Kinston, as President and H. B. Parker, Jr., as Secretary and Treasurer and brethren B. W. Spilman, Normal Secretary; J. H. Booth, Home Department Secretary; and H. B. Parker, Jr., Primary Secretary. A convention will be held with the First Baptist Church in Goldsboro, the last week in next April. We need an awakening in Sunday School work. We need to remodel practically our whole Sunday School system. We need to catch step with the modern progress in Sunday School work. Our churches, as churches, need to be aroused to the importance of the work—a white field, the ripest and most ready to the harvest. Our schools should be kept open all the year, should be well organized, and equipped with efficient officers and

teachers and appliances. Let us push out into the regions beyond and organize mission schools.

Our method of reporting our Sunday School work is not complete and is very misleading as to the facts. We heartily endorse our own State Sunday School work, and the efficient Field Secretary, Rev. H. C. Moore, of Raleigh, and pledge to him and to the state work our hearty and continued support.

B. W. SPILMAN.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville begun operations about twenty years ago. Since that time about one thousand children have been trained, many of whom are now in the active persuit of life. They are an honor to our country, to the orphanage, and to its libera supporters. To-day we are proud of the men and women, the boys and girls, that have gone out from the Thomasville Orphanage. We bless the Lord for the Thomasville Orphanage. Through that institution we have the possibility to save many a child from what might be a life of shame and disgrace. Some changes have taken place at the Orphanage in the last year. Bro. Boone resigned as Manager. A good, noble and true-hearted man went out. In the appointment of Bro. M. L. Kesler, a great, good and wise man took charge as Manager. Bro. Kesler is handicapped with a debt of $1,100.00. The number of children is reduced because of the debt. If the debt was out of the way about four hundred children could be cared for. The debt became a necessity to provide against another scourge of typhoid fever. Sewerage and water-works had to be put in, and hence the debt. Brethren it is our debt. It must be paid. Many a child is without a home because of that debt. As an Association let us pay our part, and pay it as soon as possible. Brethren, the Orphanage is ours. We must redeem it from debt. The helpless, fatherless, motherless and homeless are crying and we can not help them. Save the Orphanage from debt and rally around our new Manager and say to him: "Hear the helpless cry. In the name of the Lord and the Baptists of North Carolina give them a home and provide for them."

J. W. NOBLES.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

The Ministerial Relief Board, located at Durham, N. C., looks after the relief of our aged and infirm ministers of the gospel. There are at present twenty-four on the Board who receive from $5 to $20 per quarter. This is indeed a very small help when there is in some cases two in the family and very old. Many of them are not getting what it would take to make them comfortable, but it is the best that can be done with the funds at hand. One third of the funds goes into a permanent interest bearing fund, therefore the Board can only use two-thirds of what is received and interest on above named fund.

The funds received are increasing a little every year, but really, brethren, these aged and infirm veterans of the cross, who have worn themselves out in the service of the Master, deserve and need a great deal more from the great Baptist hosts of North Carolina than they get. They, who in days gone by, at great sacrifices ministered to us in spiritual things, should by no means be forgotton by us in our responsibility as to temperal things. The Lord is leaving them with us in the evening of their lives on this scene that we may honor Him in our service to them.

J. H. BOOTH.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Located at Wake Forest is what is known as an Education Board. It is the work of this Board to select young men to be aided and to

appropriate for this purpose what they see fit, which is usually about enough to pay board. The Board deserves our highest commendation for its conservatism in selecting beneficiaries and its economy in its use of all funds instructed to them. God in his wisdom has seen fit to call many poor young men to proclaim the riches of His grace and the Story of a Saviour's love. These are not able to secure the proper preparation for their great life work, without aid. We are glad to know that about fifty are now being aided by this Board. It is impossible to estimate the value of money given to equip these young men. So let us give liberally to aid them in their struggle to equip themselves to carry out their Lord's command.

G. E. LINEBERRY.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We, your Committee on Education, are glad to know and be able to report an increased interest in education throughout the entire state. Many sections in the rural districts. as well as the towns, have adopted the local taxation principle, and are now having eight and ten months school instead of running under the old public school plan of four months in the year. But with all of our increased interest, progress, and expenditure of money in education, we are still far behind the other states. The North Carolina school census reports of 1901-2, show that there are ten thousand six hundred and seventy-eight male white children, between the ages of twelve and twenty-one who can not read and write. The same reports show that there are ten thousand two hundred and forty-six male negro children between twelve and twenty-one who can not read or write. It is encouraging, however, to know that illiteracy in our state has decreased about four per cent. in ten years, and with the new awakening in the interest of education, better school houses, longer school terms, and efficient teachers, we predict that North Carolina will soon be able to take her stand in the foremost ranks of intelligence. As a denomination, Baptists have contributed no little to the great educational move among our people, and throughout the country. We can point with pride and gratitude to our institutions of learning all over the State; especially do we wish to commend to your sympathy, support and patronage Wake Forest College, Baptist University for Women and Winterville High School. Respectfully submitted.

W. L. BILBRO.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

What a person reads goes far towards establishing his ideals. Good papers educate both young and old and are useful in all departments of life toward the accomplishment of our efforts to extend the kingdom of Christ. We consider religious periodicals of primary importance, for they give not only an account of the progress of the Baptist denomination, but create a lively interest in our spiritual zion. The Biblical Recorder, which for over seventy years has contended so faithfully for the faith once delivered to the saints, is an invaluable educator to the families who read it, as it speaks with no uncertain sound on questions of doctrine, and stands square against heresy and error at all times. It is the organ of our Convention. We would therefore especially recommend it to our people. The North Carolina Baptist stands without a peer in the temperance movement, and is without doubt the best dollar paper in the state. We recommend it to our people as essential in our work. We have many other periodicals which are doing their part in our denominational work and deserve the patronage of our people. Charity and Children, Foreign Mission Journal, Home Field, The Atlantic Messenger and the Sunday School literature of our Southern Baptist Convention, should have our encouragement and support.

T. J. HOOD, for Committee.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We deeply deplore the evils attendant upon intemperance. We realize that it not only causes the waste of thousands of dollars, but is either directly or indirectly responsible for the degradation and ruin of million of lives. Turn on the light of truth and the opponents of temperance are routed in every conflict, so let us awake to our full responsibility and by moral suasion do all we can to stop this curse and keep the rising generation free from its awful clutches, also by our influence and our votes encourage all legislation tending to check it in its destructive course and pledge ourselves to aid in executing all prohibitory laws. There is much at present to encourage us. In the last year many towns and cities in our state by popular vote have freed themselves from this curse. Let us wage a ceaseless warfare against this evil, realizing that we are fighting this great battle for God and humanity and trust results to Him who can give all power and wisdom and save even unto the uttermost.

G. E. LINEBERRY.

COMPLETE FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF WINTERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL FOR 1904-1905.

July 1.	By amount on hand		$ 941.62
	By amount received for tuition and board		5811.39
	By back dues collected		29.72
	By advertisements in catalogue		36.25
	By amount from three moving picture entertainments		24.01
	By door receipts at commencement concert		54.55
	To miscellaneous accounts	$ 298.81	
	To salary paid to teachers	2646.87	
	To amount paid to matrons	563.15	
	By donations		126.30
	By cash on notes		166.83
	By board at summer school		418.75
Dec. 2.	To A. G. Cox for paying note	1011.72	
Jan. 19.	To C. C. Teague for insurance	262.50	
	To dormitory and school expenses	2445.70	
	To interest on note	60.00	
		$7288.75	$7609.42

In treasury Sept. 1, 1905, $320.67.

A. G. COX, Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

A. G. Cox, Treasurer. In account with Neuse Association.

1904		Dr.	Cr.
Oct. 20.	To cash recived of M. E. Britt	$166.16	
"	By amount paid Minute Fund		$ 31.58
" 22.	By State Missions		54.12
"	By Home Missions		7.90
"	By Foreign Missions		5.46
"	By Ministerial Education		14.00
"	By Ministers Relief		12.00
"	By Orphanage		31.10
"	By A. G. Cox		10.00
			$166.16
1905.			
Oct. 28.	To cash received of Finance Committee, now on hand		$172.66

DEED OF GIFT.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS. That I, S. C. Parrott. of the County of Lenoir, and the State of North Carolina, have given and delivered this day, unto the trustees of the Winterville High School, a school situated in the town of Winterville, in the County of Pitt, and the state of North Carolina, ten shares of preferred stock in the Kinston Cotton Mills, a corporation with its principal place of business in the city of Kinston, in the County of Lenoir, and the State of North Carolina, the same being the shares contained in certificate No. 46 issued by the Kinston Cotton Mills on the 19th day of September 1905 to the trustees of the Winterville High School to be used by the said trustees for the benefit of said school as long as said school is run, operated and conducted for the purpose for which it is now conducted, in the following manner: The said shares of stock to be held by the said trustees for the benefit of the said school, and the interest or profits or dividends that shall be declared and paid on the said shares of stock shall constitute a loan fund, in the hands of the said trustees, to be loaned to indigent students who will agree to pay the same back in a reasonable time to be determined by the said trustees, with interest on the same at the rate of four per cent. per annum, interest payable annually, and the said trustees shall hold all interest that may accrue on the said shares of stock and all loans for the purpose of this loan fund, to be applied as herein before mentioned. If, however, at any time more than two year's interest shall accumulate, and there shall be no applications for the same as a loan, as above provided for then the said trustees may, if they so desire, apply the said accrued interest that shall then be on hand unapplied for to the general purposes of the said school. Whenever the said Kinston Cotton Mills shall redeem the said stock, as it appears on the face of said certificates it has a right to do, then in that event said trustees shall loan said five hundred, dollars the face value of the said shares of stock out on real estate security, or other security equally safe, and shall at all times keep the said principal of five hundred dollars drawing six per cent. interest for said loan fund. The principal of this fund shall never be loaned out to students, but shall always be kept for the basis of the said loan fund. And if the said school shall ever cease to be the property of the Missionary Baptists of Eastern North Carolina, then in that event, the said fund, principal and interest and all outstanding loans shall become the property of the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, of North Carolina, to be by them used for their work in Eastern North Carolina in such a manner as they shall deem best.

Witness my hand and seal this the 19th day of Sept. 1905.

MRS. S. C. PARROTT, [SEAL]

The said Board of Trustees of the Winterville High School in regular meeting assembled, in token of their acceptance of the above gift in the terms of the above mentioned instrument, have this day caused the same to be signed in their name by their President and attested by their Secretary. This 28th day of October 1905.

WINTERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL,
By W. C. JACKSON,
President of Board of Trustees.

Attested—JNO. D. COX, Secretary.

MINUNTES OF WOMAN'S MEETING.

The Woman's issionary Union, auxiliary to the Neuse Association, met contemporary with that body at Ayden, N. C., the last week in October. The meeting was held in the Methodist church, Friday afternoon, Oct. 27th., was called to order by our Associational Superintendent, Mrs. H. L. Grant of Goldsboro. After singing the opening hymn—"Bless Be The Tie," the devotional exercises, con-

sisting of scripture readings and prayer, were conducted by Mrs. Grant. Miss Alyce Taylor, of Ayden was appointed Secretary, who then proceded to read the reports from societies not represented by delegates. The delegates present reading the reports of their respective societies. The societies represented either by reports or delegates were: Eureka, Ayden, Fort Barnwell, Goldsboro First church, Winterville and Kinston, also the Sunbeam Societies, of Goldsboro, Ayden and Fort Barnwell. Short talks on the work of their societies were made by Miss Minnie Cox, of Winterville and Miss Bertha Newton, of Fort Barnwell. An interesting letter on Sunbeam Work from Mrs. Fry, of Goldsboro was read by Mrs. Grant and the subject was discussed by Miss Alyce Taylor. Mrs. Grant next spoke on the needs and conditions of the work. Hour to report etc., also presented the Foreign Mission Journal and "Our Home Field." Some stanzas of "Draw Me Nearer" were then sung, after which letters were read from Mrs. Heck, Dr. Gray and Dr Willingham. A talk on "The Margaret Home" was made by the Secretary, who also spoke on our mountain schools, work among the Indians and imigrants. Miss Newton then read a helpful leaflet on "giving," which was much enjoyed. A vote of thanks was extended to the brethren of the Methodist church for the use of their house of worship. "God Be With You" was sung as the closing hymn, and after prayer by Mrs. Grant, the meeting adjourned to meet next fall with the society of the first church of Goldsboro.

ALYCE TAYLOR, Secretary.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS.	CLERKS AND ADDRESSES.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity of Church.	Preaching Sunday.	Baptism.	Removed by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Number of Males.	Number of Females.	Total Membership.
Antioch—T. H. King	J. L. Jackson, Winterville	$ 1000 00	350	Fourth	19	2		6	4	----	44	61	105
Ayden—T. H. King	C. L. Tyson, Ayden	900 00	300	Second	1	1		----	1	----	19	34	53
Castoria—J. H. Booth	Mrs. Dora Carr, Castoria	500 00	150	Second				----	----	----	13	25	38
Cove—W. L. Bilbro	T. B. Ipock, Cove	400 00	200	Fourth		2		----	----	----	5	9	14
Davis' Grove—J. H. Booth	W. W. Whittington, Snow Hill, R. F. D.	600 00	250	First				5	1	----	8	14	22
Dover—W. L. Bilbro		400 00	250	Second				2	----	----	4	4	8
Emmaus	, Dudley	350 00	300					----	----	----	----	----	26
Falling Creek—T. J. Hood	George P. Britt, Goldsboro R. F. D., No. 4	400 00	250	Second	13			10	11	1	41	47	88
Fort Barnwell—W. L. Bilbro	J. W. Lane, Fort Barnwell	600 00	200	Third				----	----	----	29	28	57
Fremont—W. W. Barnes	C. C. Teague, Fremont	75 00	*250	Fourth				----	----	1	4	10	14
Goldsboro, 1st—W. F. Fry	J. M. Hollowell, Goldsboro	15000 00	600	Every	30	3	1	14	2	1	141	215	356
Goldboro, 2nd		750 00	250	First				----	----	----	25	57	82
Kinston—C. G. Wells	Richard H. Lewis, Kinston	17000 00	1000	Every	3	10		11	2	6	72	154	226
LaGrange—T. H. King	J. P. Joyner, LaGrange	3000 00	500	Third	1	2		3	----	----	18	36	54
Macedonia—T. J. Hood	B. F. Sasser, Dobbersville	----	----					----	----	----	5	7	12
Maysville—J. W. Nobles	U. E. Eubank, Maysville	500 00	300	2d and 3d	1	7		3	----	----	15	13	28
Mount Calvary—T. J. Hood	George H. Parker, Goldsboro	200 00	300	Second				----	----	----	7	6	13
Mount Nelson	Mrs. Alice Strather	700 00	400					----	----	1	3	20	23
New Hope—W. P. Campbell	W. E. Sutton, Kinston	400 00	250	Second		2		2	4	----	12	25	37
Piney Grove—J. W. Nobles	A. F. Cox, Trenton	500 00	300	Second	2			2	5	2	26	41	67
Polloksville—J. W. Nobles	T. A. Bell, Polloksville	500 00	300	3d and 4	7			1	----	----	29	34	63
Sandy Bottom—W. P. Campbell	R. P. Croom, Kinston	400 00	200	Third	6	1		1	----	----	9	14	23
Seven Springs—W. P. Campbell	S. D. Byrd, Seven Springs	750 00	250	Fourth	4			----	----	1	16	18	34
Snow Hill—J. H. Booth	J. E. Debnam, Snow Hill	750 00	250	Third	4	3		----	----	----	15	24	39
Spring Garden—W. L. Bilbro	W. R. Pate, Lima	400 00	200	First				----	----	----	7	9	16
Tabernacle—J. J. Douglas	W. C. Brick, New Bern	6000 00	400	Every	5	7		8	1	2	25	38	63
Trenton—J. W. Nobles	C. C. Perry, Trenton	1200 00	400	First				----	----	----	8	12	20
Union—W. P. Campbell	W. W. Rouse, Seven Springs	500 00	300	First	3			----	2	----	18	26	44
Totals		$ 44775 00	8700		99	40	1	68	33	15			1625

* Fremont has no church building, they worship in a hall.

PLEDGES FOR 1905-06.

CHURCHES.	Sunday School Work.	Ministerial Relief.	Orphanage.	State Missions	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Totals.
Antioch	$ 6 00	$ 8 00	$ 35 00	$ 70 00	$ 16 50	$ 25 00	$ 22 50	$ 183 00
Ayden	2 50	4 00	10 00	35 00	5 00	7 00	10 00	73 50
Castoria	1 00	2 00	5 00	12 50	2 00	5 00	2 50	30 00
Cove		1 00	1 00	2 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	8 50
Davis' Grove	1 00	1 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 50	17 50
Dover		1 00	1 00	4 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	10 50
Emmaus		1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	7 00
Falling Creek	2 00	3 00	8 00	15 00	3 50	5 00	3 00	39 50
Fort Barnwell	2 00	5 00	12 00	25 00	5 00	7 50	3 00	59 50
Fremont	1 00	1 50	7 50	5 00	2 50	2 00	2 50	22 00
Goldsboro, 1st	15 00	15 00	90 00	165 00	75 00	200 00	30 00	590 00
Goldsboro, 2nd	1 00	2 00	5 00	15 00	3 00	3 00	2 50	31 50
Kinston	10 00	15 00	100 00	200 00	75 00	200 00	25 00	625 00
LaGrange	2 00	5 00	30 00	25 00	7 50	10 00	5 00	84 50
Macedonia	50	50	1 50	1 50	1 00	1 00	50	6 50
Maysville		2 00	3 00	7 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	19 00
Mount Calvary	1 00	1 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	2 50	2 50	18 00
Mount Nelson	1 00	1 00	5 00	7 50	2 00	1 50	1 00	19 00
New Hope	1 00	4 00	15 00	25 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	57 00
Piney Grove		1 00	2 00	6 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	16 00
Polloksville	2 00	4 00	5 00	20 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	48 00
Sandy Bottom	50	1 50	6 00	6 00	3 50	1 50	1 00	20 00
Seven Springs	1 00	2 00	5 00	12 50	3 00	5 00	2 00	30 50
Snow Hill	1 00	5 00	5 00	12 50	2 00	5 00	3 00	33 50
Spring Garden	1 00	2 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	1 50	1 00	22 50
Tabernacle		10 00	100 00	50 00	35 00	50 00	7 00	252 00
Trenton		2 00	1 50	7 50	1 00	1 50	2 00	15 50
Union	1 00	2 00	6 00	12 00	2 50	5 00	2 00	30 50
Totals	$53 50	$102 50	$475 50	$763 00	$269 00	$567 00	$139 50	$2370 00

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

SCHOOLS.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Total	No. Volumns in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers taken	Months kept Open	Average Attendance	Baptisms from Schools	Contributions for all Objects
Antioch	A. G. Cox. Winterville	9	135	144	75	200	12	80	18	$ 27 19
Ayden	W. C. Jackson, Ayden	12	100	112		100	12	75		45 00
Castoria										
Cove										
Davis' Grove										
Dover										
Emmaus										
Falling Creek	J. B. Granthan, Goldsboro, R. F. D. No. 4	7	60	67	30	72	12	35	3	
Fort Barnwell	M. D. Lane, Fort Barnwell	7	86	93			12			8 13
Fremont	C. C. Teague, Fremont	6	65	71		100	12	35		20 00
Goldsboro, 1st	E. L, Edmunson, Goldsboro	16	205	221		225	12	158	10	95 91
Goldsboro, 2nd										
Kinston	L. R. Varser, Kinston	24	157	181	160	355	12	125	1	195 00
LaGrange	J. P. Joyner, LaGrange	8	36	44	50	42	12	30		
Macedonia										
Maysville	G. W. Parker, Maysville	9	31	40		52	12	20	1	
Mount Calvary										
Mount Nelson	S. S. Strother, Eureka	3	30	33		30	12	25		
New Hope	Nonie O. Sutton, Kinston	6	25	31		50	12	23		11 50
Piney Grove	Robert Parker, Olivers	3	15	18		36	6	10	1	
Polloksville	T. A. Belll, Polloksville	4	28	32	38	50	12	18	3	18 00
Sandy Bottom	J. J. Croom, Kinston, R. F. D	5	40	45		40	12	22	4	5 00
Seven Springs	G. G. Quinn, Seven Springs	4	45	49	20	46	12	19	2	
Snow Hill	A. H. Joyner, Snow Hill	5	20	25		10	3	15		
Spring Garden										
Tabernacle	F. G. Mitchell, New Bern	10	70	80		7500	12	55	1	250 00
Trenton										
Union	T. E. Elmore, Strabane	11	62	73		93	12	40	1	87 00
Totals		149	1210	1359				785	45	$ 762 73

FINANCE TABLE—Showing all the Contributions of Churches, Missionary Societies and Sunday School.

CHURCHES.	Pastors Salary.	Building and Repairing.	Incidental.	Sunday School Expenses	Poor.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Colportage.	Orphanage.	S. School Missions.	Ministerial Edudation.	Old Ministers' Relief.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Total.
Antioch	$ 150 00		$ 31 04	20 22		65 00	27 15	21 95	7 50	34 24	5 00	20 00	6 00	58 31	3 00	446 21
Ayden	100 00	$ 175 00	7 50	30 00		25 00	4 00	20 00		25 38	2 00	5 00	2 50			396 38
Castoria	75 00					10 00	2 00	3 00		5 00	1 00	2 00	2 00			100 00
Cove	30 00					4 00	1 00	1 00		1 00		50	1 00			38 50
Davis Grove	22 50		1 50			7 50	1 00	1 00		4 00	50	50	25	10 00	50	48 75
Dover	25 00					4 00	1 50	2 00		1 00		1 00	1 00			35 50
Emmaus																
Falling Creek	100 00		10 00			15 00	3 00	5 00		8 00	1 00	3 00	3 00	12 00	1 50	160 00
Ft. Barnmell	100 00		3 00	8 13		28 00	19 00	13 50		17 00	1 00	2 00	5 00	14 50	2 00	211 13
Fremont	50 00		15 00	20 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 50	5 00		2 50	1 00	10 00	1 00	116 00
Goldsboro, 1st	1100 00	780 00	160 35	43 75	39 35	165 00	125 00	200 00	15 00	101 65	15 61	30 00	15 00	328 25	5 00	3123 96
Goldsboro, 2nd																
Kinston	900 00	777 25	150 00	180 00	8 00	121 40	134 70	196 20	10 00	157 10	30 00		9 50	46 82	5 00	2720 97
LaGrange	150 00		12 00	12 00		25 00	7 50	10 00		30 00	2 00		5 00			253 50
Macedonia																
Maysville	35 00					7 00	2 00	3 00		3 00		2 00	2 00			54 00
Mt. Calvary	30 00					5 00	1 00	2 50		3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		1 00	44 50
Mt. Nelson	12 50		2 00	3 20		8 50	1 00	2 50		5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		60	38 30
New Hope	90 00		2 00	7 00		25 00	5 00	5 00		19 50	1 00	2 00	2 00		1 00	158 50
Piney Grove	100 00	5 00	50	1 75	2 25	6 00	3 00	3 00		2 00		1 00	1 00		1 00	125 50
Polloksville	100 00			18 00		23 25	5 00	14 00		26 26	2 00	2 00	5 00	9 34	75	204 85
Sandy Bottom	30 00		4 00	5 00		6 10	4 40	3 00	1 00	5 00	50	1 00	1 00			61 00
Seven Springs	60 00	75 00	9 11	4 17		12 50	3 00	10 00		5 00	1 00	2 00	1 00		1 00	182 78
Snow Hill	60 00	105 70	2 55	90		12 50	2 50	6 00		9 00	1 00	1 50	2 00		75	203 65
Spring Garden																
Tabernacle	760 00	50 00	123 81	148 00	25 00	25 00	24 45	53 82		102 00		10 00	5 00	50 00		1377 08
Trenton	36 20	1148 54	1 00			7 50	1 00	2 21		1 50		2 00	1 50		50	1201 45
Union	60 00	31 00	5 00	75 00		12 50	2 00	5 00	1 50	17 00	1 00	17 00			1 00	227 00
Total	4176 20	$3147 49	540 36	576 92	76 60	$ 615 75	382 20	584 68	36 50	587 63	66 61	109 00	74 75	539 22	25 60	11529 51

REPORT ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

CHURCHES.	Pledges for 1906.	Pledges for 1905.	Contributed on Pledges.	Below Pledges.	Above Pledges.	Contributed per member on Pledges	Pastors Salary.	Incidental Expenses	Repairs on Churches	Colportage.	Poor.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Contributed for all Objects.	Contributed per Member for all Objects.	Loss in Membership.	Gain in Membership.	Number of Members.
Antioch	183 00	158 50	179 34	----	20 84	1 70	150 00	31 04	----	7 50	----	58 31	3 00	446 21	4 27	----	11	105
Ayden	73 50	47 50	83 88	----	36 38	1 58	100 00	7 50	175 00	----	----	----	----	396 38	7 47	----	1	53
Castoria	30 00	30 00	25 00	5 00	----	66	75 00	----	----	----	----	----	----	100 00	2 63	----	----	38
Cove	8 50	8 50	8 50	----	----	61	30 00	----	----	----	----	----	----	38 50	2 75	----	2	14
Davis Grove	17 50	19 00	14 75	4 25	----	67	22 50	1 50	----	----	----	10 00	50	48 75	2 22	5	----	22
Dover	10 50	10 50	10 50	----	----	31	25 00	----	----	----	----	----	----	35 50	4 44	----	----	8
Emmaus	7 00	7 00	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	1	----	26
Falling Creek	39 50	38 00	----	----	----	43	100 00	10 00	----	----	----	12 00	1 50	160 00	1 82	9	----	88
Ft. Barnwell	59 50	51 50	85 50	----	34 00	1 50	100 00	3 00	----	----	----	14 50	2 00	211 13	3 70	----	----	57
Fremont	22 00	19 00	16 50	2 50	----	1 18	50 00	15 00	----	1 50	2 00	10 00	1 00	116 00	8 29	1	----	14
Goldsboro, 1st	590 00	570 00	652 26	----	82 26	1 83	1100 00	160 35	780 00	15 00	39 35	328 25	5 00	3123 95	8 77	----	17	356
Goldsboro, 2nd	31 50	31 50	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	82
Kinston	625 00	735 00	658 90	76 10	----	2 91	900 00	150 00	777 25	10 00	8 00	46 82	5 00	2720 97	12 06	6	----	226
LaGrange	84 50	84 50	79 50	5 00	----	1 47	150 00	12 00	----	----	----	----	----	253 50	4 69	----	----	54
Macedonia	6 50	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	12
Maysville	19 00	19 00	----	----	----	68	35 00	----	----	----	----	----	----	54 00	1 93	----	5	28
Mt. Calvary	14 50	14 50	----	----	----	1 11	30 00	----	----	----	----	----	1 00	44 50	3 42	----	----	13
Mt. Nelson	19 00	17 00	20 00	----	3 00	87	12 50	2 00	----	----	----	----	----	38 30	1 66	1	----	23
New Hope	57 00	55 00	59 50	----	4 50	1 61	90 00	2 00	----	----	----	----	1 00	158 50	4 28	4	----	37
Piney Grove	16 00	16 00	16 00	----	----	24	50 00	50	5 00	----	2 25	----	1 00	125 50	1 87	7	----	67
Pollocksville	48 00	48 00	77 51	----	29 51	1 21	100 00	----	----	----	----	9 34	75	204 85	3 25	----	6	63
Sandy Bottom	20 00	16 50	22 00	----	5 50	96	30 00	4 00	----	1 00	----	----	----	61 00	2 65	----	6	23
Seven Springs	30 50	29 50	29 50	----	----	87	60 00	9 11	75 00	----	----	----	1 00	182 78	5 37	----	3	34
Snow Hill	33 50	30 50	34 50	----	4 00	88	60 00	2 55	105 70	----	----	----	75	203 65	5 22	----	7	39
Spring Garden	22 50	29 00	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	16
Tabernacle	252 00	252 00	220 27	31 73	----	3 49	769 00	123 81	50 00	----	25 00	50 00	----	1377 08	21 86	----	1	63
Trenton	15 50	15 00	15 71	----	71	78	36 20	1 00	1148 54	----	----	----	50	1201 45	60 07†	----	----	20
Union	30 50	27 50	39 50	----	12 00	89	60 00	5 00	31 00	1 50	----	----	1 00	227 00	5 16	----	1	44
Total	2370 00	2380 00	2420 62	124 58	232 70	1 62*	4176 20	540 36	3147 49	36 50	76 60	539 22	25 60	11529 51	7 74*	37	60	1625

* Average contribution per member † Trenton received help in building a church. This accounts for the largeness of the contributions from that church.

NOTE.—Cove, Dover, Emmaus, Goldsboro 2nd, and Spring Garden sent no letters. Statistics that are given were gathered from other sources. Macedonia is a new church.

WOMANS' MISSIONARY SOCIETY STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PRESIDENTS AND POST OFFICES.	Number of Members.	Contributed for all objects
Antioch	Mrs. F. C. Nye, Winterville	43	$ 46 20
Ayden	Miss Edith Broadway, Ayden	----	30.00
Ft. Barnwell	Mrs. J. B. Newton, Fort Barnwell	----	27.50
Fremont	Mrs. C. C. Teague, Fremont	6	------
Goldsboro 1st.	Mrs. S. D. Petteway, Goldsboro	45	178.55
Kinston	Mrs. R. H. Lewis, Kinston	32	270.82
Maysville	Mrs. J. B. Olive, Maysville	----	------
Mt. Nelson	Miss Alice Strother, Eureka	8	2.00
Polloksville	Miss Hulder Nobles, Winterville	9	21.03
Sandy Bottom	Miss Meta Croom, Kinston	10	4.50
Snow Hill	Mrs. G. M. Lindsay, Snow Hill	8	1.85
Tabernacle	Miss Amelia Williams, James City	15	163.27
Union	Mrs. Clemmie Rouse, Strabane	7	------
Total		178	$685 72

SUNBEAMS.

Ayden	Miss Viola Gaskins, Ayden	20	------
Ft. Barnwell	Miss Bertha Newton, Fort Barnwell	30	5.50
Fremont	Mrs. Zeb B. Jeffreys, Fremont	----	------
Goldsboro 1st.	Mrs. W. F. Fry, Goldsboro	----	------
Kinston	Miss Lena Spain, Kinston	28	24.74
Maysville	Mrs. F. M. Jenkins, Maysville	----	------
Seven Springs	Miss Sallie Bizzell, Seven Springs	20	5.00
Tabernacle	Miss Daphnea Coward, New Bern	15	------

YOUNG LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Goldsboro 1st	Miss Annie Farrior	---	$25.00

LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

Goldsboro 1st.	----------	---	$80.00
Kinston	Mrs. B. W. Hatcher, Kinston	28	124 50

EARNEST WORKERS.

Goldsboro, 1st.	----------	---	168.25

REPORT ON CHILDREN'S WORK.

Truly the children among our denomination is a great work. Nor only are the children taught about Missions and trained to give to this great cause, but we must realize that these children are to form our future Woman's Missionary Societies, and for that reason what great stress should be laid upon the children's work.

The Children's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church of Goldsboro was organized in January, nineteen hundred and five. Into this society of all sizes of children was merged a former society of larger girls known as the Girl's Band. Our society was organized with about twenty-five members, and new members have been added at almost every meeting. It is very easy to get children to join a society, but the main and difficult thing to do is to have each member present at each meeting. This can be done in one way only, and that is through the personal work of the president. The mere announcing of the meeting at the church services will not suffice, as the the children will so easily forget the time. The method of work for a society of children must necessarily be varied. The program must be very interesting to keep the attention of the children. Always have some story to read them, or what is better, to tell them. You can keep their eyes fixed on you so much better when you tell a story than when you read one. Try to give some new information about missions at each meeting. For my society I have a chart representing City, State Home, and Foreign Missions by circles, and in each circle I have the names of the fields and countries in which most of the mission work is done. To impress anything upon a child's mind put a picture before him. Do not consume more than three quarters of an hour or an hour at the longest. Children are easily tired. The motto of our society is Matt. xxviii:19-20.

We have raised nearly twenty-five dollars for missions this year. We are supporting a girl in the Little Price school in Shanghai, China. We hope that this girl will be a great worker for Jesus among her own people and thus be our individual representative on the foreign fields. It means so much to a child to have something definite for him to do.

We have raised our money in various ways. Our dues are five cents each month for each child. Besides the dues I try to get the children to make extra sacrifices to give more, and for this purpose I have given each child a little mite barrel into which to put all of the extra money that he can and I have these barrels opened every quarter. To the one who has the largest amount in his barrel I give some little reward, but I always emphasize the fact that I want each one to bring all that he possibly can, no matter if it be much or little, and that God can use just a penny if that is all that he has to bring. I try to impress upon the children to make their money in some way so that they will learn the art of giving more thoroughly. Tell them instead of spending all of their money for candy to save some to give to the little heathen children who do not know anything about our Saviour and our God. Besides the mite barrels I have the birthday box. Into this box each child drops as many pennies as he is old at the next meeting after his birthday comes. Sometimes we have a little lawn party to which each child comes and brings a nickle or ten cents and each child is treated to lemonade and cake or ice cream and cake. Often a nice little sum is raised in this way.

MRS. W. F. FRY,
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PLAN OF ORGANIZATION OF THE NEUSE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1. This body shall be styled "The Neuse Baptist Association."

2. The Association shall consist of all the ordained Baptist ministers who are members or pastors of the churches composing this body and of messengers chosen annually from the membership of the churches connected with it. Each church of fifty members or less shall be entitled to three messengers. A church with more than fifty members shall be entitled to three messengers for the first fifty members and one extra messenger for every twenty-five additional members; Provided, that no church shall have more than ten messengers.

3. It shall be the design of the Association to promote the Redeemer's kingdom among mankind, at home and throughout the world, in strict conformity to the Holy Scriptures.

4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian, all of whom shall be elected annually by direct ballot on the last day of the Association. They shall assume their duties upon the adjournment of the session at which they are elected, and shall serve through the ensuing session.

5. The Moderator shall preside and enforce an observance of the Constitution and preserve order in accordance with Dr. Kerfoot's Parliamentary Law. He shall not be eligible to succeed himself. During the session over which he presides it shall be the duty of the Moderator to deliver an address before the Association on such a theme as he may select.

6. The Vice-Moderator shall, in the absence of the Moderator, preside over the Association and discharge the duties of the Moderator's office.

7. The Clerk shall record the proceedings and publish and distribute the minutes. He shall supply the churches with blank letters for their annual reports to the Association and to the Historian. He shall receive from the minute fund $10.00 for his services and $5.00 for contingent expenses.

8. The Historian shall gather and preserve material of historical interest pertaining to this Association, and report each year to the Association any events of historical importance relating to the Association, and set forth in the report the general condition of the churches co-operating with this body. He shall deliver to his successor in office all material gathered and held in trust for the Association.

9. The Treasurer shall receive all funds sent up to the Association by the churches and all collected during the session; he shall pay out the same as designated by the donors, or as ordered by the Association, and make a report each year.

10. The Association shall appoint annually an Executive Board of seven. One shall be selected from the Association at large, and one from each of the six counties in the Association. They shall co-operate with the Board of Missions and Sundays Schools of the Baptist State Convention in supplying the gospel to the destitution within the bounds of the Association. They shall make a report of their work each year.

11. The messengers from each church shall bear to the annual meeting of the Association a letter certifying their appointment and communicating information relative to the state of the church and to the work done for the year ending with the last day of October preceding the annual session of the Association.

12. The annual session of the Association shall begin at 11 o'clock a. m. on Tuesday after the first Lord's Day in November, at such place as may be chosen.

13. New churches may be received into the Association at any annual session, if found to be orthodox.

14. The Association may withdraw fellowship from any church that neglects to observe gospel order.

15. At each annual session there shall be preached, by appointment of the Association, an introductory sermon.

16. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

MODERATOR—DR. J. M. PARROTT, Kinston, N. C.
VICE-MODERATOR—PROF. G. E. LINEBERRY, Winterville, N. C.
CLERK—REV. T. H. KING, LaGrange, N. C.
TREASURER—A. G. COX, Winterville, N. C.
HISTORIAN—REV. B. W. SPILMAN.

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

W. L. Bilbro, Wilmington, N. C.
J. J. Douglass, New Bern, N. C.
T. J. Hood, Goldsboro, N. C.—R. F. D. No. 4.
T. H. King, LaGrange, N. C.
J. B. Newton, Fort Barnwell, N. C.
B. W. Spilman, Kinston, N. C.
W. P. Campbell, Seven Springs, N. C.
W. F. Fry, Goldsboro, N. C.
W. G. King, LaGrange, N. C.
J. B. Olive, Mayesville, N. C.
C. G. Wells, Kinston, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Rev. W. F. Fry, Wayne county; J. A. McDaniel, Lenoir county; M. D. Lane, Craven county; J. S. Miller, Craven county; A. G. Cox, Pitt county; J. C. Parker, Jones county.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Home Missions—W. F. Fry.
Foreign Missions—B. W. Spilman.
State Missions—T. H. King.
Sunday Schools—J. J. Rogers.
Orphanage—W. P. Campbell.
Ministerial Education—C. G. Wells.
Periodicals—W. L. Bilbro.
Temperance—M. D. Lane.
Aged Ministers' Relief—J. E. Peterson.
General Education—G. E. Lineberry.
Order of Business—J. J. Douglass, F. G. Mitchell, J. S. Miller.

LIST OF MESSENGERS.

Antioch—J. D. Cox, R. Croom, W. B. Nobles, L. F. Elliott, L. L. Kittrell, A. G. Cox.

Ayden—W. J. Mumford, Mrs. W. J. Mumford.

Castoria—

Cove—T. B. Ipock, W. F. McKoy.

Davis Grove—

Dover—

Emmaus—

Falling Creek—Walter E. Blackman, J. B. Grantham, E. F. Edgerton, M. J. Beard.

Fort Barnwell—C. W. Russell, W. P. Lane, Miss Bertha Newton, Mrs. M. D. Lane, Rev. J. B. Newton.

Fremont—

Goldsboro, First Church—D. J. Rivenbark, E. L. Edmundson, N. B. Parker, Jr. J. E. Peterson, F. B. Edmundson, J. W. Whitley, R. E. Pipkin, Rev. W. F. Fry.

Goldsboro, Second Church—W. A. Denmark, J. W. Sadler, Mrs. Lucy Tudor, Mrs. Rebecca Hardison.

Goldsboro Bryan Street—A. J. Bradshaw, J. E. Lassiter, Miss Lucy Talton, Miss Lula Wade.

Kinston—Rev. C. G. Wells, Rev. B. W. Spilman, Dr. J. M. Parrott, E. O. Moore, Thaddeus Petteway, Rey Croom, Mrs. J. H. Parrott.

LaGrange—Rev. T. H. King, Rev. W. G. King, J. P. Joyner, C. S. Wooten, W. H. Grady, Miss Clara Burke.

Macedonia—A. L. Lee, B. F. Sasser, R. A. Singleton, Miss Minnie Rose.

Mayesville—Rev. J. B. Olive.

Mount Calvary—George H. Parker, John E. Parker.

Mount Nelson—Sisters Ada Stallings, Alice Strother, Cora Barnes, M. E. Britt.

New Hope—J. L. Jackson, G. W. Abbott, Nonie O. Sutton, Alice Jackson.

Piney Grove—B. P. Parker, Claud Conway, A. H. Cox, Miss Ethel McDaniell.

Pollocksville—T. A. Bell, Charles Whitty.

Sandy Bottom—Seth Croom, Clyde Croom.

Seven Springs—Rev. W. P. Campbell, H. M. Tally, J. R. Daily, Mrs. Fanny Simmons.

Snow Hill—

Spring Garden—

Tabernacle, New Bern—J. A. Patterson, F. G. Mitchell, J. S. Miller.

Trenton—Miss Bertha Taylor.

Union—J. J. Barwick, E. A. Rouse, E. Jones, Miss Bessie Elmore, Mrs. Lou Rouse.

PROCEEDINGS.

TUESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The eighth annual session of the Neuse Baptist Association convened with the First Baptist church in Goldsboro, Tuesday morning, October 23rd, 1906. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. W. G. King.

In the absence of the Moderator and Clerk, J. B. Newton acted as Moderator *pro tem.*, and T. H. King as Clerk *pro tem.*

The roll of churches was called and delegates enrolled.

The Committee on Order of Business made a report, which was adopted.

On motion of T. H. King, a special committee on General Education was appointed, as follows: B. W. Spilman, C. G. Wells, G. E. Lineberry.

W. F. Fry, W. G. King and W. L. Bilbro were appointed a committee on the reception of new churches.

The following visiting brethren were recognized and welcomed to seats with us: Rev. S. F. Conrad, of the North Carolina Baptist; Rev. J. T. Albritton, of the Eastern Association; Rev. J. B. Newton, of the Wilmington Association.

The Association adjourned to meet at 2 p. m. Prayer by W. G. King.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. C. G. Wells.

On motion of Bro. Wells, a committee on digest of church letters was appointed, as follows: H. P. Parker, F. G. Mitchell and B. W. Spilman.

Rev. C. J. Thompson, representing the Home Mission Board, was recognized and welcomed; also Rev. W. H. Davis, of Wilmington Association.

On motion of Bro. Fry, a change was made in the program, to the effect that the time for the Report on Home Missions and Aged Ministers' Relief were interchanged.

The Report on Periodicals was called for. The chairman of this committee being absent, on motion of Bro. Fry, the discussion was called for without the report.

The Moderator introduced Rev. S. F. Conrad, representing the North Carolina Baptist, who spoke on periodicals in general, especially the paper he represents.

In a very interesting address, Bro. Spilman commended the Home Field, the Foreign Mission Journal and the Biblical Recorder.

Rev. W. G. King was appointed to receive subscriptions for the Recorder during the present session of our Association.

The Report on Ministerial Education was submitted by T. H. King.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Our fathers established Wake Forest College primarily for the purpose of educating our ministers. Article 2 of the Constitution of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina says: "The primary object of the Convention shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College; to educate young men called of God to the ministry, and approved by the churches to which they belong," etc. Located at the college is a board whose function it is to collect and disburse funds to aid young ministers through their college course who are not able to defray their own expenses. Baptist preachers are proverbially poor, but no man should be too poor to become a Baptist preacher and to be properly educated for his work. With few exceptions, God calls into the Baptist ministry young men who are unable to educate themselves. To undertake to make the money or refund it would incur a useless waste of precious time. To help them is to help the work of the kingdom where it will count most.

Since the organization of this particular phase of our work, about 500

men have been recipients of its beneficence. Among this number are many of the ablest and most useful pastors in this and other states, and many have gone to the foreign field. Last year the Board aided 58 men to the amount of $4,000. This year it is aiding 76 men. This increase necessarily calls for an increase of at least 30 per cent. in our contributions to this object. Last year 25 Associations made no contributions at all to ministerial education, and a number of others gave only small amounts.

Our Brother Taylor, a member of Winterville church, who for the last three years has been in Winterville High School, is now at the college, receiving aid from the Board. Let us rally to the needs of the Board. No expenditure of money pays so well as in the training of consecrated men.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. KING.

Pending the motion to adopt the report, remarks were made by T. H. King, W. F. Fry, J. P. Joyner, George H. Parker and others. Pledges were taken and report adopted.

The Report on Home Missions was presented by W. P. Cambell.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board reports 880 missionaries, 15,436 baptisms and $190,131.50 received for the past year. The work is being conducted along usual lines, on the frontier, among foreigners in the cities, and educational work in the mountains.

A new departure has been inaugurated along the line of evangelistic work, with Rev. W. W. Hamilton, of Atlanta, Ga., as leader.

The Baptists of North Carolina are more directly concerned in the educational phase of the Board's work than in any other by reason of the fact that the Board spends a good sum of money each year for educational work in Western North Carolina. The amount spent for that purpose last year was (estimated) $7,034.68. North Carolina's contribution to the Home Board was $10,332.39, being $3,297.71 more than the Board returned to the State.

This would seem to indicate that North Carolina can sustain her mission work without help from the Home Board. It would therefore seem to be both economical and wise for North Carolina Baptists to take steps as soon as possible to relieve the Home Board of any further responsibility for mission work in this State, and leave the Home Board free to use whatever funds it can command to prosecute religious work on the frontier, among foreign populations in the cities and in Home Board territory south of the United States.

W. P. CAMPBELL.

On motion to adopt the report, remarks were made by Rev. W. P. Campbell. Rev. C. J. Thompson, of Durham, treated us to a soul-stirring address. It was an address of great power and it was received with much favor. The report was adopted and pledges taken.

The Association was dismissed with prayer by W. P. Campbell.

NIGHT SESSION.

The Association convened at 7:30. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. W. P. Cambell. Text: Zach. 8:16, 17. It was a thoughtful and earnest plea for rectitude of conduct.

B. W. Spilman read the Report on General Education.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

It is with gratutitude that we note the general awakening in educational matters. Hard by well nigh every Baptist meeting house in our land may

be found a school house. Our people have, with few exceptions, always stood for the eduction of all the people.

We rejoice in the large number of splendid high schools which for many years have been doing a good work in our State. That Baptists believe in the secondary school is manifested by the fact that for more than half a century such schools have been established and fostered by our people. To-day we have more than 20 such schools owned by our people.

In 1900 the Neuse Association decided to establish a high school. A small school already established at Winterville was offered to the Association and accepted by it. The wisdom of this course has been abundantly justified by the record of the school. A small school no longer. It this fall entered upon its most prosperous year. It is as good a school as is to be found and for our people of the Neuse Association is the best. The instruction is broad and thorough; the religious atmosphere wholesome.

In the higher education our people have from the beginning of our organized life held to the idea that our boys and girls should be educated in institutions where the spirit of the most liberal-culture should be permitted with a positive and constructive Christianity. Hence the establishment of the four institutions which stand for this idea.

The Oxford Female Seminary, though owned by individuals rather than by the denomination, has always proclaimed itself a Baptist institution and has rendered a noble service for many years.

The Chowan Baptist Female Institute, Murfreesboro, has for more than fifty years served our people well. Under the leadership of President John C. Scarborough a new era of growth and prosperity are just ahead.

The Baptist University for Women, Raleigh, the youngest of our four Colleges, has lately entered upon its eighth year. It is in the first rank among colleges for women in America. Its standard is high.

The oldest is Wake Forest College, yearly renewing its youthful vigor. The past is glorious, the future glows with hope.

The new Alumni building has just been completed; the Infirmary is receiving the finishing touches; a movement is on to increase the endowment to $150,000; President W. L. Poteat, LL.D., was last December inaugurated president of the College—all this means a new era of growth and usefulness.

We pledge to all our institutions our heary co-operation.

B. W. SPILLMAN,
C. G. WELLS.

Pending a motion to adopt the report, B. W. Spilman introduced to the Association Dr. W. L. Poteat, President of Wake Forest College. Dr Poteat delivered a masterful address on General Education.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The opening exercises were conducted by Bro. ——— Shepard, of the Sandy Creek Association.

The Association was called to order by Rev. W. G. King, in the absence of the Moderator.

Minutes of preceding meeting were read and approved.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats with us. Brethren Shepherd, of the Sandy Creek; Hight C. Moore, representing our Sunday School Work, and Livingston Johnson, our State Secretary, and Archibald Johnson, of the Orphanage, were recognized and welcomed.

The report on the Baptist Orphanage was read by Bro. Bilbro. On motion to adopt this report, the work of the Orphanage was discussed by Bro. Archibald Johnson.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Our Baptist Orphanage, and its mission, is too wel known to the Baptist Churches of North Carolina to need any introduction.

It is not the purpose of this report to make our people acquainted with the fact that we have such an Institution in the State, and that it is largely dependant, for support, on the voluntary offerings of its friends.

These reports are made at each Association for the purpose of reminding our people of their duty to this great and blessed work—and also to bring to their notice any new or pressing need, that might arise in connection with the Institution.

We feel sure that there is no work, among us, that lies nearer the hearts of our people, or that appeals more tenderly to their sympathies, and further, there is no work—in which we are engaged, that more fully exemplifies the teachings of our holy religion.

The growth, and development, of the Orphanage has been wonderful indeed. It was founded about twenty years ago, and from its rude beginning it has grown to its present dimentions which amounts to 400 acres of real estate worth $15,000, buildings worth $60,000, and an invested fund to the amount of $102,000—making a total value of $177,000.

The management of the Orphanage is striving to cultivate habits of industry among those intrusted to its care. A farm is cultivated every year, and wheat, peas, potatoes, hay and vegetables are raised in abundance.

A shoe shop, turning out 90 pairs of shoes a year, a wood shop devoted to matching and dressing of lumber, the office of Charity and Children are all sources of revenue, and give employment to the boys.

It is highly gratifying to note from year to year, the improvement in our Orphanage work. Under the present management the grounds have been greatly improved in appearance, and the number of boys in the different industrial departments have been greatly increased. A laundry has been added, and a stenographer and typewriter has recently been employed who will give lessons to girls in this branch of education.

Some things that we should not forget:

(1). That only the interest arising from the invested funds can be used, and this is to be consumed in the improvement of the plant, and not for the purpose of feeding the children.

(2). That $3,000 of the debt created to establish the water works system is still unpaid.

(3). That 333 children now at the Orphanage, are asking you for their daily bread. Will you give it to them?

W. L. BILBRO.

Report was adopted, pledges taken and a cash collection of $6.00 was taken.

Bro. Fry read the report of the Executive Committee. The report was discussed by brethren Campbell, Bilbro, W. G. King, T. H. King, T. J. Hood. These brethren gave very interesting and encouraging reports of their respective fields.

(No copy for report of Executive Committee.)

The following report on State Missions was read by Bro. Wells:

REPORT ON STATE MISSION.

In mission work the field is the world. The department of State Missions holds first rank in importance. By its agency many of the lost in North Carolina are saved and gathered into New Testament Churches, and these become a base to supply both men and money, not only for good citizenship, but also for all religious work at home and abroad. During the past twenty-five years the missionaries of the Board have organized 800 churches and baptized 25,000 to 30,000 converts. Many of the Churches organized have become self-sustaining; and all of them have added greatly to our denominational forces. The relation of State Missions to the other work of the denomination is that of the reservoir or stand-pipe to the mains and service pipes of a water system. The more we do for State Missions, the more we are able to do for all the objects.

Last year (1905) the Board spent $30,000 in Mission work, employing 142

missionaries. These missionaries reported 2,374 conversions and 1,460 baptisms. Eight churches were organized, nineteen houses of worship were completed, and forty-nine others were being built on the fields occupied by the missionaries of the Board.

They raised on their fields $10,034.71 for Convention objects, $13,681.06 for pastors' salaries, $15,924.64 for church building and local expenses. This is a total of $39,640.41. That is, while the total expenditures of the Board were $30,000, the denomination through the agency of its State Mission work alone saves 2,374 people with the gospel, baptized 1,460 according to the New Testament, organizes eight churches, completes nineteen houses of worship, has forty-nine others under way, and raises for all objects $39,640.41. As a financial transaction the denomination realizes a net gain of $9,640.41 in denominational assets. This is a clear gain of 32 per cent. on the amount invested in one year.

The Neuse Association, with twenty-eight churches and 1,625 members, paid $615.75 last year (1905) for State Missions, and received from the Board an appropriation of $1,325. For every dollar paid into the treasury of the Board we received $2.15. Only two Associations in the State received more from the Board than did the Neuse; and each of them employed a larger number of missionaries than the Neuse. The Neuse received more money for missionary than any other Association in the State. These facts ought to be of local concern and cause us to push forward in our offerings for State missions; and wherever possible, the churches should move up on pastoral support with a view to coming off the Board at the earliest date possible.

On motion to adopt, the Moderator introduced Rev. Livingston Johnson, who discussed our State Mission Work.

The report was adopted and pledges taken.

The Association was dismissed with prayer by T. H. King.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. Rev. W. G. King led the Association in prayer. Bro. Wells reported for the Committee appointed to revise the Constitution. The revised Constitution was discussed and unanimously adopted.

This Constitution appears on the first page of the minutes.

On motion a change was made in the program to the effect that the report on Temperance was appointed for this afternoon and Woman's Work at 7:30 to-night.

Bro. Hood offered a report on Temperance.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Resolved therefore, That the Neuse Association put herself on record as advocating a general prohibition law for the State, and also to work to bring this to pass. Proverbs 20th chapter, 1st verse.

We are our brother's keeper in anything that brings destruction to him, so we ought not to be satisfied with what we have, but let us press on until we won't have a whiskey distillery, or cider, or wine press in our nation. Ninety per cent. of all our crimes come by strong drink and one hundred thousand die annually by strong drink in the United States. Our State prison is filled by strong drink, also our asylums. It is time for God's people to wake up on this question. We get down on our knees at night and pray for Christ's kingdom to come, then when we get an opportunity to stop this great curse we go right the other way. How do we expect God to prosper the work we are engaged in, when we hold up the devil's biggest agency by voting for men that will uphold this great curse? Let's work and act as we pray and soon there will not be a whiskey distillery or cider press, or wine press in the United States.

T. J. HOOD, Committee.

Pending a motion to adopt the report, the subject was discussed by T. J. Hood, J. B. Olive, W. L. Bilbro, W. H. Davis. The report was adopted.

On motion of Bro. Fry, a committee was appointed to submit a report on Woman's Work. Bro. H. C. Moore was appointed.

The Committee on Digest of Church Letters reported, recommending that the whole matter be abolished. Report was received.

Bro. Fry reported for the committee on the reception of new churches as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PETITIONARY LETTERS.

Your Committee on Petitionary Letters report as follows:

We have made an examination of the Articles of Faith and Covenant adopted by Bryan Street Church, Goldsboro, and find them to be in accord with the Scriptures. We therefore, recommend that the Church be received into the fellowship of this Association.

W. F. FRY,
W. G. KING.

The report was adopted.

Bro. A. G. Cox offered his report as Treasurer of Winterville High School.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF WINTERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL.

A. G. Cox, Treasurer, in account with Winterville High School from September 1, 1905, to September 1, 1906.

Creditor.

To amount paid out for supplies, etc	$ 3,514.11
To amount paid out for Pianos etc.	120.00
To amount paid out for Lighting Dormitories	95.00
To amount paid out for Interest on Note	120.00
To amount paid out for G. E. Lineberry, teaching	2,746.12
To amount paid out for G. E. Lineberry, for matrons	396.96
To amount paid out by A. G. Cox for matrons	228.37
Total paid out by Treasurer	$ 7,220.56

Debtor.

By amount on hand September 1st, 1905	$ 320.67
By amount received for board tuition &c	8,033.82
Total amount received in Treasury	$ 8,354.49
By balance due Winterville High School, cash on hand	$ 1,133.93
By amount due the school in notes	460.46
Total amount of notes and cash in Treasury	$ 1,594.39

NEW DORMITORY.

To amount due Treasurer	$ 1,876.30
To interest on Dormitory debt	112.57
To Total amount due Treasurer on new Dormitory	$ 1,988.87

LOAN FUND.

By $500.00 Mrs. S. C. Parrott preferred stock in Kinston Cotton Mills.

The report was discussed by Bro. Fry, A. G. Cox, T. M. Parrott, etc.

T. H. King made a motion to appoint a committee to devise plans to meet the indebtedness of Winterville High School. The chair appointed A. G. Cox, W. F. Fry and C. T. Wells on the committee.

Rev. E. H. Davis, of the Methodist Church, was recognized and welcomed.

The unfinished work of the Executive Committee was taken up and remarks were made by brethren Fry and Wells, on the needs of Trenton, Dover and Fremont Churches, in building houses of worship.

The report of the Executive Committee was adopted.

On motion of Bro. Fry, the future Executive Committee is requested to investigate the needs of the various churches requesting aid in building, and make recommendation to the churches.

On motion, the chair appointed a Committee on Place and Preacher for the next session of the Association as follows: W. P. Lane, A. G. Cox, J. T. Barwick.

Also a committee to nominate delegates to the Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention, as follows: W. P. Campbell, G. E. Lineberry, J. R. Daily.

Committee to name the Executive Committee: W. L. Bilbro, F. G. Mitchel, Rudolph Croom.

The Association was dismissed with prayer by Bro. Campbell.

NIGHT SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 7:50 by the Moderator. Prayer was offered by Bro. Wells.

Th report on Woman's Work was read by Rev. Hight C. Moore, as follows:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

In the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention the Societies composing the Woman's Missionary Union gave last year $103,611.90 in addition to boxes valued at more than $49,000. During the 18 years of the Union's existence the mission contributions have reached the splendid aggregate of $1,286,370.49.

In North Carolina there reported last year 625 Societies in 49 Associations with a membership of 11,076; and during the year their contributions aggregated $17,158.49. That is, something less than 1-16 of our total membership in these Societies, yet they have given during the year nearly 1-4 of the total contributions to State, Home and Foreign Missions. Included in this and worthy of especial mention is the work of the Sunbeams, who last year supported Dr. Hayes, a medical missionary in China (Salary $500), and this year are expecting to contribute $1,400.

In the Neuse Association, as reported at last Convention, there are 31 Societies with a membership of 550, and their mission contributions aggregated $770.81. To Mrs. H. L. Grant, the efficient Vice-President of the Woman's Mission Societies for the Association, about 15 Societies are making regular reports and thus far in 1906 they have given $530.06. During the last five years their mission contributions have aggregated $2,647.20. "Yet," says Mrs. Grant, "this is not a tithe of what could be accomplished were the women and children generally in our churches interested in and working for missions. Will not all the pastors in our Associations rally to the cause and by presenting as often as possible the needs of the work endeavor to enlist a much larger band who will pray and labor for missions."

On motion to adopt, the report was ably discussed by Bro. Moore.

The report was adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was called for, and Rev. W. F. Fry read the report as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

To make known the Divine Lord to every human being on the face of the earth is the primary charge of Jesus Christ to His disciples. "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts o fthe earth." That charge stands unfulfilled and

unrepealed. Foreign Missions is simply an effort to be obedient unto Christ, to present Him as Lord and Master and Redeemer to our next door neighbor, and to the man in the uttermost parts of the earth. Southern Baptists are doing Mission work in seven different foreign countries: China, Africa, Japan, Brazil, Italy, Mexico and Argentina. His richest blessings have crowned our efforts. The number of baptisms grows larger and larger each year, as do also the gifts and sacrifices from our brethren at home. 2,445 was the gratifying number baptized last year, and nearly $320,000 was the amount that God's people gave to carry on this work.

More men and women, consecrated to God, are needed to enter the wide open doors on the far flung battle line. And more money is needed to build churches and schools and hospitals, and to keep these servants of God at the front. Your Committee makes an appeal for all of our brethren to pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into His vineyard, and especially appeals that our young people shall constantly have an ear open to Heaven, listening for God's call to His most needy and honored service.

W. F. FRY.

The report was spoken to by Rev. Dr. W. C. Tyree, of Raleigh, after which a special prayer was offered by Bro. Spilman, that God will call forth more men and women to the foreign fields.

The report was adopted and pledges taken.

Committee to nominate Executive Committee made the following nominations.

REPORT ON NOMINATION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee appointed to nominate Executive Committee for next year, beg to report the following brethren for your appointment: W. F. Fry, Wayne; A. G. Cox, Pitt; J. C. Parker, Jones; M. D. Lane, Craven; Dr. Whittington, Greene; J. S. Miller, Craven; J. A. McDaniel, Lenoir.

W. L. BILBRO,
R. CROOM,
J. G. MITCHELL,
Committee.

Benediction by W. H. Davis.

THURSDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. C. G. Wells.

In the absence of the Moderator, on motion of Bro. Wells, Rev. W. G. King was called to the chair.

The Association was called to order.

Rev. B. W. Spilman made his report as Historian, as follows:

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

It has been impossible to secure the data necessary to make a report which will adequately set forth the condition as it exists in the Association. More than a month ago a letter was addressed to the pastors of the Association asking for information. Only one reply was received and that one gave no information. It has been necessary, therefore, to pick up a few scraps and record them.

I examined the letters sent to the Association. Eight churches had no letters in the hands of the Clerk, viz: Castoria, Davis Grove, Dover, Emmaus, Fremont, Mount Nelson, Snow Hill Spring Garden. From the letters it is noted that one new church has been organized during the year and admitted into the Association at this session, the Bryan Street Church of Goldsboro. With eight churches not reporting, the number of baptisms is 27 greater this year than last and we have made a net gain in membership of 110. Six churches report a loss in membership. We have one more Sunday school than last year and 112 more scholars.

The churches are paying the pastors about $500.00 per year more than last

year and have increased the gifts to State Missions about $120.00, and the Orphanage by about $44.00. Our country is enjoying a period of unparallelled prosperity and yet we have fallen behind in our gifts to Church Building, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Sunday School Missions, Ministerial Education and Ministerial Relief.

Two young men have entered the ministry during the year, brethren Charlie ————, of Falling Creek, and T. J. Taylor, of Winterville.

Two of our brethren long honored and useful have gone to their reward. Bro. Samuel Mumford, of Ayden, died last August, and Bro. William I. Herring, of Kinston, in September.

Since our last Association Bro. T. H. King moved from Ayden to LaGrange; Bro. W. L. Bilbro moved from Kinston to Pollocksville; Bro. W. G. King moved into our Association, locating at LaGrange and took charge Jan. 1, of the Craven County field. Bro. J. H. Booth resigned the Green County work and moved out of the Association last August.

The debt so long a burden on the Kinston church was all paid last February. The church at Sandy Bottom is completing its house of worship.

B. W. SPILMAN, Historian.

Bro. Spilman made some remarks of explanation and the report was received.

Rev. W. P. Campbell made the report of Committee to nominate delegates to the Baptist State and Southern Baptist Conventions, as follows:

REPORT ON DELEGATES.

This committee beg leave to report the following brethren as delegates to The Southern Baptist Convention: J. E. Peterson, Delegate; A. G. Cox, Alternate.

To State Convention—Delegates: W. F. Fry, Goldsboro; T. H. King, LaGrange; E. L. Edmondson, Goldsboro. Alternates: E. O. Moore, Kinston; F. C. Nye, Winterville; J. E. Debnam, Snow Hill.

JAS. R. DALY,
W. P. CAMPBELL,
Committee.

These delegates were elected.

On motion of Rev. B. W. Spilman, Rev. W. F. Fry was elected a member of the State Mission Board from the Neuse Association.

Bro. Wells submitted the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WINTERVILLE SCHOOL DEBT.

The Committee on the Winterville School debt recommend that the whole matter be referred to the Trustees of Winterville School.

W. F. FRY,
A. G. COX,
C. G. WELLS,
Committee.

On motion the Association went into the election of officers for the next session which resulted as follows:

For Moderator—Dr. J. M. Parrott.
For Vice-Moderator—J. E. Peterson.
For Clerk—T. H. King.
For Treasurer—A. G. Cox.
For Historian—B. W. Spilman.

The Committee on Place and Preacher, reported recommending that the next session of the Association meet with the Tabernacle Church at New Bern, and T. H. King to preach the Introductory Sermon.

Bro. Wells offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, That each Church be requested to send up to the Association minute funds at least three cents per member each year."

Bro. Wells withdrew the resolution.

On motion, a committee on Order of Business for next session was appointed. Brethren J. J. Douglass, F. G. Mitchell, J. S. Miller were appointed on this Committee.

Report of Committee on Ministers' Relief was called for. The report not being at hand, on motion, the discussion was opened. Bro. Campbell opened the discussion, and was followed by T. O. Kelly, W. F. Fry, H. C. Moore, &c

REPORT OF THE MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.
(By request.)

The Ministers' Relief Board was organized about fifteen years ago. It had twenty-two beneficiaries the first year, each of whom received ten dollars. Last year there were twenty-six beneficiaries and each received more than fifty dollars. The needs of this Board are on the increase, as the denomination grows. These fathers in the Baptist ministry put their lives into our work; and now we ought to keep them from want.

Bro. Spilman made the report on Sunday Schools as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Baptists have a goodly heritage from the fathers. The spread of the modern Sunday-school movement was made possible by Baptists. It was a Baptist who gave to the world its first Sunday-school Society, its first great tract society, its first Bible Society, its first society for the promotion of the voluntary Sunday-school, its first publishing house to supply lesson helps. The first general agent of the American Sunday School Union was a Baptist. It was a Baptist who gave to the world the International Lesson System, now used by twenty-six millions of people. It was a Baptist who, twenty-five years ago gathered the fragments of a disorganized Sunday school mob in America and organized it into an army, and a Baptist has been at the helm as Chairman of the Executive Committee of the International Sunday School Association of North America ever since. It was a Baptist who thought out the plans and wrote the call for the first World's Sunday School Convention. It was a Baptist who gave to the world the first separate organization of a Primary department; and a Baptist who originated the Baraca and Philathea movements. And the story is not all told. This should inspire us to greater activity in this work.

The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn., has passed its most prosperous year. A great future lies ahead of it. It is worthy of our undivided support.

The Baptist State Sunday School work was never more hopeful. Under the leadership of Field Secretary, Hight C. Moore, the work is ever being made more efficient. It is with regret that we announce a failure to pay all of our pledges to this work. This Association should contribute at least a hundred dollars each year to this work.

The Sunday School Convention within the bounds of the Association is more hopeful. A good Sunday School Convention was held in Goldsboro last April.

B. W. SPILMAN.

Pending a motion to adopt the report, our Sunday School ork was ably discussed by B. W. Spilman and H. C. Moore.

The report was adopted.

T. H. King read the report of the Treasurer, which was received:

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

1905.		
Oct. 28th	To cash received of Finance Committee	$ 172.66
Nov. 17th.	By State Missions	79.81
	By Home Missions	7.50
	By Foreign Missions	15.44
	By Minsterial Education	13.00
	By Minister's Relief	10.25

	By Orphanage	10.91
	By S. S. Missions	3.50
	By Minute fund	28.25
	By A. G. Cox	10.00
	By total amount paid out	$ 172.66
1906.		
Oct. 25th.	To cash received from Secretary	$ 269.50
	To Orphanage from Falling Creek Church	5.30
	To Amount, S. Abbott for State Missions	1.00
	Total in Treasury	$ 275.80

A. G. COX, Treasurer.

The following resolution was offered by Bro. Spilman, which was adopted by a rising vote:

"Resolved, That the thanks of this body be expressed to the Goldsboro Baptists and citizens generally for the cordial and abundant hospitality extended to us."

The Association then adjourned to meet with the Tabernacle Baptist Church in New Bern Tuesday after the First Sunday in November, 1907.

W. G. KING, Moderator pro tem.
T. H. KING, Clerk.

MINUTES OF WOMAN'S MEETING.

The eighth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union of Neuse Association met in the Methodist Sunday School room, Goldsboro, Mrs. H. L. Grant, our Associational Vice-President, presiding. The meeting was opened with a hymn, "We Praise Thee." The 35th chapter of Isaiah was then read, followed by prayer by Mrs. Cuninggim of the Methodist church.

The reports from the societies composing our Union was called for, and the representatives from Fort Barnwell, Kinston, Mount Nelson, First and Second Baptist churches of Goldsboro, responded. Letters were read by the Secretary from Winterville Society, also from the Sunbeams of Winterville.

Miss Annie Farrior reported the work of the Girl's Band of Goldsboro First church. These reports and letters accompanying, all seemed to have for their motto, "Forward."

Mrs. William Pettway, who has recently come to us from the Johnston Association, was asked to tell us about the work of her former society. This she did in a very helpful way.

Letters were read from Miss Heck and Dr. Gray. These were also hopeful concerning our work.

Mrs. Grant then announced we had a rare treat in store for us, as Miss Elizabeth Briggs, of Raleigh, Band Superintendent for the State, was present and would address us. All of us knew of the great work she is doing, and as she talked to us so earnestly, we realized more than ever before the vast importance of working with the children and training them in mission work so that they may be more efficient than we have been. It was indeed an inspiring address.

Mrs. Hollowell, of the Friends church, was asked to talk to us on whatever subject she had in mind. She spoke of the talents that each of us have, and urged upon all the importance of using them well. Her talk also was very helpful.

A vote of thanks was extended our Methodist friends for the use of the room. We then sang, "God be with us till we meet again," and the closing prayer was offered by Mrs. Pettway.

Thus closed one of the largest and most helpful meetings ever held by our Union.

MRS. ED. L. EDMUNDSON,
Secretary.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS.	CLERKS AND ADDRESSES.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity.	Preaching Sunday.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Number of Males.	Number of Females.	Total Membership.
Antioch—T. H. King	J. L. Jackson, Winterville	$ 1000	350	4	19	2	..	2	..	1	53	70	123
Ayden—T. H. King	C. L. Tyson, Ayden	1000	350	2	2	1	..	1	1	1	19	34	53
*Castoria	Mrs. Dora Carr, Castoria	500	150	.....	..	...	..	...		..	13	25	38
Cove—W. G. King	T. B. Ipock, Goldsboro	500	200	4	..	4	..	..	..	..	7	11	18
*Davis' Grove	W. W. Whittington, Snow Hill	600	250	1	..	...	..	....	..	..	8	14	22
Dover—W. G. King		400	250	2	....	..	..	....	..		4	4	8
*Emmaus—T. H. King		350	300	1	...	...	..	....	..	..		....	26
Falling Creek—T. J. Hood	Geo. P. Britt, Goldsboro	500	250	2	25	1	7	1	..	1	54	62	116
Fort Barnwell—W. G. King	J. W. Lane, Fort Barnwell	700	200	3	6	3	..	....	1	..	36	30	66
*Fremont	C. C. Teague, Fremont	75	....		....	....		..	..		4	10	14
Goldsboro—First—W. F. Fry	J. M. Hollowell, Goldsboro	16000	450	Every	18	15	3	14	5	4	146	223	369
Goldsboro—Second—T. H. King	J. W. Sadler, Goldsboro	750	250	1	...	....		3	3	..	20	47	67
Goldsboro—Bryan St.—T. J. Hood		700	300	(?)	80	11	..		..	..	....	...	95
Kinston—C. G. Wells	Richard Lewis, Kinston	1700	900	Every	11	8		14	2	4	81	166	247
LaGrange—T. H. King	J. P. Joyner, LaGrange	4000	400	3	2	4	..	2	1	2	15	38	53
Macedonia—T. J. Hood	B. F. Sasser, Goldsboro	.....	....	3	6	1	..	..	3		7	9	16
Maysville—W. L. Bilbro	W. E. Eubanks, Maysville	500	300	3	6	5		1	..	..	14	25	39
Mt Calvary—T. J. Hood	Geo. H. Parker, Goldsboro	250	300	2-p.m	....	....	..	1		5	5	6	11
Mt. Nelson	Alice L. Strother, Eureka	700	400	....	....	....	..	....	..		3	21	24
New Hope—W. P. Campbell	W. E. Sutton, Kinston	400	250	2	5	....	..	..	..	..	14	28	42
Piney Grove—W. L. Bilbro	A. F. Cox, Trenton	400	300	2	1	2	..	5	..	..	26	39	65
Pollocksville—W. L. Bilbro	T. A. Bell, Pollocksville	500	300	4	..	2	..	1	1	1	28	32	60
Sandy Bottom—W. P. Campbell	R. P. Croom, Kinston, r. f. d.	400	200	3	2	2	..	1	..	..	9	17	26
Seven Springs—W. P. Campbell	S. D. Byrd, Seven Springs	750	200	4	15	5	..	..	..	..	28	26	54
*Snow Hill	J. E. Debnam, Snow Hill	750	250	.....	....	..	..	....	..	..	15	24	39
Spring Garden—W. G. King	W. R. Pate, New Berne, r. f. d.	400	200	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	17	24	41
Tabernacle—J. J. Douglass	W. C. Brick, New Berne	7000	400	Every	6	8	1	4	..	3	30	41	71
Trenton—W. L. Bilbro	C. C. Perry, Trenton	1200	400	1	..	1		3	..	..	7	14	21
Union—W. P. Campbell	R. W. Rouse, Seven Springs	500	300	1	2	...	..	1	..	1	20	25	45
Total		$54825	...	.....	210	75	11	54	17	18	693	1035	1845

* Last years' report.

FINANCIAL TABLE—SHOWING TOTAL AMOUNTS CONTRIBUTED BY CHURCHES, MISSIONARY SOCIETIES, SUNDAY SCHOOLS, ETC.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairing.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	Poor.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Work.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Old Ministers' Relief.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Total.
Antioch	$ 200 00	$	176 19	$22 00	$	106 30	$27 05	$37 25	$ 6 00	$77 76	$	$22 50	$ 8 00	$17 90	$ 3 00	$ 603 95
Ayden	120 00		25 00	9 60		35 00	5 00	20 00	3 00	28 13		10 00	4 00	20 00		279 73
*Castoria																
Cove	30 00	30 00	5 00			2 00	1 50	2 00		1 00		1 00	1 00			73 50
Dover	30 00															30 00
*Emmaus																
Falling Creek	100 00		5 00	10 00		15 00	3 50	5 00	2 00	8 00		3 00	3 00	15 00	1 75	171 25
Fort Barnwell	125 00		3 00	9 40	12 00	37 50	21 50	17 00	2 00	12 00	25 00	2 50	5 00	12 00	2 00	285 90
*Fremont																
Goldsboro, 1st	1200 00	5 00	1 60	73 27	45 00	165 00	75 00	200 00	15 00	190 10	300 00	30 00	15 00	125 98	5 00	2445 95
Goldsboro, 2nd	125 00	50 00	16 36	66 05		17 50	10 00	12 50		10 50				4 94	1 00	313 85
Kinston	900 00	1843 40	150 00	53 85	31 00	189 72	63 82	140 55		98 81		3 05	4 80	133 55	5 00	3618 05
LaGrange	250 00		20 00	21 00		25 00	7 50	13 25	2 00	41 00		5 00		25 00	1 50	411 25
Macedonia	25 00					1 50	1 00	1 00	50	1 50		50	50			31 50
Maysville	75 00		48 00	8 00		7 00	2 00	3 00		3 00		2 00	2 00		50	150 50
Mt. Calvary	30 00					5 00	1 00	2 50	1 00	5 00		2 50	1 00			48 00
Mt. Nelson	15 00		60	2 25		7 50	1 00	1 50		3 00	50	50	1 00	50	1 00	34 35
New Hope	90 00	1 00		7 00		29 15	5 00	5 00	1 00	21 00		2 00	2 00		1 00	164 15
Piney Grove	100 00		5 00			6 00	3 00	3 00		2 00			1 00	1 00	1 00	122 00
Pollocksville	100 00	63 75		6 75		24 00	8 25	15 00	2 00	10 00		2 00	4 00			235 75
Sandy Bottom	40 00		50	5 89		8 50	6 00	3 50	50	11 00		1 00	1 50		1 00	79 39
Seven Springs	75 00	16 32	1 80	10 71		25 18	3 00	8 50	1 00	17 60		2 00	2 00	12 00	1 50	176 61
*Snow Hill																
Spring Garden	100 00			8 00		10 00	2 00	1 50	1 00	5 00		1 00	2 00			130 50
Tabernacle	832 00	180 00	164 00	100 00		25 00	25 00	59 80		102 00		5 00	5 00	40 00	5 00	1542 80
Trenton	75 00		3 50	2 42		7 50	1 00	1 50		1 50		2 00	2 00		50	96 92
Union	100 00	25 00	5 00	75 00		18 28	4 16	6 28	1 00	6 00		2 00	2 00		1 00	245 72
Totals	4737 00	2214 47	630 55	598 19	88 00	762 83	287 28	562 63	43 50	617 90	325 50	99 55	66 80	307 82	32 75	11222 15

* No report.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministers' Relief.	Ministerial Education.	Sunday School Work.	Total.
Antioch	$ 100 00	$ 25 00	$ 35 00	$ 50 00	$ 8 00	$ 22 50	$ 6 00	$ 246 50
Ayden	35 00	5 00	20 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	2 50	87 50
* Castoria	12 50	2 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	2 50	1 00	29 00
Cove	3 00	2 00	2 50	1 50	1 00	1 50	.....	11 50
* Davis' Grove	5 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	1 00	1 50	1 00	17 50
* Dover	4 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	10 50
* Emmaus	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	7 00
Falling Creek	15 00	4 00	5 00	13 00	3 00	4 00	2 00	46 00
Fort Barnwell	25 00	5 00	7 50	7 50	5 00	2 50	2 00	54 50
* Fremont	5 00	2 50	2 00	7 50	1 50	2 50	1 00	22 00
Goldsboro—First	200 00	75 00	200 00	200 00	15 00	35 00	15 00	740 00
Goldsboro—Second	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	25 00
Goldsboro—Bryan Street	4 00	2 50	2 50	3 00	1 00	2 00	.....	15 00
Kinston	200 00	75 00	200 00	100 00	15 00	25 00	20 00	635 00
LaGrange	35 00	15 00	25 00	30 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	125 00
Macedonia	1 50	1 00	1 00	1 50	50	50	50	6 50
Maysville	7 50	3 00	5 00	1 50	2 00	1 50	.....	20 50
Mt Calvary	5 00	1 50	2 50	5 00	1 50	.....	1 00	16 50
Mt. Nelson	2 00	.....	1 50	.....	1 00	.....	.....	4 50
New Hope	35 00	5 00	5 00	15 00	4 00	2 00	1 00	57 00
Piny Grove	6 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	.....	17 00
Pollocksville	20 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	48 00
Sandy Bottom	7 50	3 50	2 50	6 00	2 00	1 00	50	23 00
Seven Springs	13 00	2 00	5 00	6 00	2 50	2 00	1 00	31 50
* Snow Hill	12 50	2 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	1 00	33 50
Spring Garden	10 00	2 00	1 50	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	22 50
Tabernacle—New Berne	25 00	25 00	25 00	102 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	192 00
Trenton	7 50	1 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	.....	17 50
Union	12 50	2 50	5 00	6 00	2 50	2 00	1 00	31 50
Totals	810 50	276 50	588 50	603 50	99 00	143 50	69 50	2,593 50

* Last Years' Pledges.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Average Attendance.	Quarterlies and Papers.	Months Kept Open	Volumes in Library.	Baptisms from School.	Contributions to all Objects.
Antioch	A. G. Cox, Winterville	9	145	154	87	200	12	75	16	$ 39 76
Ayden	W. C. Jackson, Ayden	5	45	50	30	63	12			17 34
*Castoria										
Cove										
Falling Creek	J. B. Grantham, Goldsboro, r f d. 4	6	65	71	40	70	12	40	12	
Fort Barnwell	M. D. Lane, Fort Barnwell	7	70	77	40	52	12		4	11 40
*Fremont	C. C. Teague, Fremont	6	65	71	35	100	12			20 00
Goldsboro—First	E. L. Edmundson, Goldsboro	19	201	220	155	240	12		10	189 22
Goldsboro—Second	J. W. Sadler, Goldsboro	14	98	112	86	180	12			71 55
Goldsboro—Bryant Street	E. L. Edmundson Goldsboro	6	75	81	60	100	12		30	30 00
Kinston	L. R. Varsar, Kinston	22	103	125	80	428	12	100	10	118 90
LaGrange	J. P. Joyner, LaGrange	6	45	51	30	58	12	50	2	32 00
Macedonia	B F. Sasser, Dobbersville	7	54	61	30	54	12		15	7 50
Maysville	George W. Parker, Maysville	5	18	23	20		12		2	
Mt. Calvary	George H. Parker, Goldsboro	4	44	48	25	50	12		5	
Mt. Nelson	S. S. Strother, Eureka	3	24	27	24	30	12			
New Hope	Nonio O. Sutton, Kinston	6	30	36	24	58	12		2	
Piney Grove	J. C. Parker, Trenton	6	48	54	25	40	12		1	
Pollocksville	T. A. Bell, Pollocksville	6	32	38	19	50	12	38		11 75
Sandy Bottom	J. J. Croom, Kinston	3	43	46	24	44	12			5 89
Seven Springs	G. G. Quinn, Seven Springs	7	59	66	45	60	12	20	12	
*Snow Hill	A. H. Joyner, Snow Hill	5	20	25	15	10				
Spring Garden										
Tabernacle	F. G. Mitchell, New Berne	10	70	80	50	644	12		1	261 94
Trenton	P B. McDaniel, Trenton	5	65	70	20	24	5			2 42
Union	T. E. Elmore, Kinston	11	66	77	35	95	12		1	
Totals		178	1485	1663				323	123	819 17

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Tabernacle	Miss Dophin Coward, New Berne	15	
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